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EDITOR'S NOTEBOOK

We are honoured this year to be able to publish a manuscript on breeding hardy roses by the distinguished hybridizer, Dr. Henry H. Marshall. It contains information on how to cross, as well as background genetics and botany, all at a readable level.

You will notice that, perhaps for the first time, many of the articles come from Manitoba. We have often been criticised for focusing on rose growing in Ontario, so this year we are addressing the concerns of those who live in colder parts of the country. Lynn Collicutt, the hybridizer who took over from Dr. Marshall at the Morden Research Station, gave a fascinating talk on hardy shrub roses at the 1992 CRS Fall Meeting. It is reproduced here in its entirety.

To balance these two more technical articles, we also talk about rose gardens. We selected three outstanding private and three exceptional public gardens from across the country, and asked the members involved to describe them. Each has done so in his or her own way, and each paints a beautiful word picture of a special garden. Now, in the dark of winter, dream about visiting them next summer.

This year's Clearing House is the largest in the eight years that I have been Editor. Congratulations to Audrey Brisbane and Rachel Flood for generating so much enthusiasm, and thank you to all the contributors. This is the section that everyone turns to first, and this year it is more informative than ever.

Many thanks to Springwood Nurseries, Agriculture Canada and Patricia Cook for their photographs.

We hope you enjoy this Annual and that it will inspire you to pass on the word about the Canadian Rose Society to other rose growers.

Ethel Freeman

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Ontario		
	Horticultural Society Arboretum	Barrie
	Royal Botanical Garden	Burlington
	Nelson Park - New Street	Burlington
	Central Park - New Street	Burlington
	Victoria Park Restaurant	Niagara Falls
	Niagara Park, School of Hort.	Niagara Falls
	Chippawa Park	Welland
	Edwards Gardens	Toronto
	Canadian National Exhibition	Toronto
	St. Lawrence Parks Commission	Morrisburg
	University of Guelph, Arboretum	Guelph
Quebec		
	Montreal Botanical Garden	Montreal
	Connaught Rose Garden	Mount Royal
	City of Montreal Rose Garden	St. Helen's Island
	Le Floralis Rose Garden	St.Helen's Island
	Agriculture Canada Station	L'Assomption
Nova Scotia		
	Historic Gardens	Annapolis Royal
	Halifax Public Gardens	Halifax

IN MEMORIAM

GERALD WALKER

It is with the deepest regret that we inform the members of the Canadian Rose Society of the death of Gerry Walker on November 13, 1992. Gerry was the Editor of *The Rosarian* from 1978 until earlier this year, and he was also a member of the Board of Directors from 1978 to 1989.

He was born in Portlethen, Kincardineshire Scotland, and was one of six brothers. He came to Canada on an Ontario Government Scholarship to the Kemptville Agricultural School, and he went on to obtain his B.S.A. at the Ontario Agricultural College at Guelph (U of T) in 1933.

During the Second World War he served in North Africa and commanded 33 Company, Royal Canadian Armed Services Corps in North West Europe, where he was awarded a Membership in the Order of the British Empire.

He had a long association with the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair and was appointed a Life Director.

Gerry was a friend to everyone in the CRS, a kind and gentle man, known for his diplomacy, ready smile and quick wit. He worked extremely hard on our behalf, making *The Rosarian* a vital link between our members, while always striving to keep it nationally relevant. He was so well-loved and respected that he was named Honourary Vice-President this year.

We have truly lost a friend, and we extend our heartfelt sympathies to his devoted wife, Francis and to his three children.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It is difficult not to comment on the past summer. It was so unusual in most parts of the country. Snow in August in Alberta, hot temperatures in British Columbia and constant rain everywhere else. Some places had rain every second day, with little sun in between and no summer heat. And everywhere there were oversized weeds, blackspot, mildew and roses that balled in the wet weather and had their colour spoiled. As if that was not enough, the rain often beat the roses to the ground before they could really bloom. Our only consolation was the thought that next year could not be any worse!

The 1993 National Rose Show will be held in Vancouver, on June 27th. There is much interest in Ontario in exhibiting in this Show, and seeing how our roses stack up against those "famous" British Columbia ones. We urge you all to make an effort to attend.

1993 will see another of our Annual Rose Sales in Toronto. This event is a major revenue producer for us, as well as a great source for many hard to find rose varieties. It is well worth a trip to Toronto.

Harry McGee, the new Editor of *The Rosarian*, is settling into his job. He has plans to improve the content and to provide us with more interesting and useful information, but he can only print material that is provided to him. So, if you are asked for a contribution or have an idea that you would like to share, pass them on to Harry. But please do not be offended if he questions you or makes changes to your material. After all, that is what Editors do!

If you like taking pictures, join us by entering the Slide Competition. And, if you like growing roses, help us all by contributing to the Clearing House. Finally, do bring new members into the Society, especially the young. The love of roses can be a lifelong joy, and it is a shame not to share this with as many people as possible.

To all of you I wish the joys of the season and a New Year full of health for yourselves and your families and a garden of roses that lives up to all your dreams!

Doreen Stanton

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CANADIAN ROSE SOCIETY

Held on Sunday, March 29, 1992 at 2:00 P.M.
Civic Garden Centre, Toronto

There being a quorum of twenty-five members present, the President, Paul Graber, called the meeting to order at 2:10 P.M. He welcomed all members and guests and especially Janet Wood, President of the Vancouver Rose Society, who was introduced to the Meeting.

Flicka Elliott moved and Claire Finch seconded that the Minutes of the last Annual Meeting, March 24, 1991, be accepted as published in the 1991 *Rose Annual*. Carried.

President's Report: The President, Paul Graber, gave his Annual Report. The report follows.

Ross Linton moved a sincere vote of thanks to Gerry Walker on his retirement as Editor of *The Rosarian*. Gerry has been Editor since the winter of 1978. Ross thanked him for his efforts to make *The Rosarian* reflect the national character of the Canadian Rose Society and for his dedication, intelligence and diplomacy at all times. The Meeting stood and applauded to make it unanimous.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer, William Dunn, presented the financial report of the Society, as audited by Paul Smith, , a copy of which is available, upon request, from the Secretary. William Dunn moved, seconded by Audrey Meiklejohn, the adoption of this Financial Statement, as read. Carried.

Nominating Committee: The Chairman, Cecil Lamrock, submitted the following nominations for a one-year term to the Board of Directors:

James Anderson	Richard Chambers	Janeth Cooper
William Dunn	Claire Finch	Ethel Freeman
Paul Graber	Cecil Lamrock	Keith Laver
Ross Linton	George Pagowski	Doreen Stanton
Gerald Wade	Philip G. Webster	Gilbert Whittamore

Cecil Lamrock moved, seconded by Mary Baillie, that the slate of officers be adopted as nominated. Carried.

Cecil Lamrock moved, seconded by Ethel Freeman, that Paul Smith be appointed as our Auditor for the current year. Carried.

Jim Anderson gave details of the Rose Sale, to be held on May 2, 1992. He asked for volunteers for the Potting Up day, April 11, and for the Sale. He moved a vote of thanks to the following nurseries: Springwood Miniature Roses, Sheridan Nurseries, Pickering Nursery, Carl Pallek & Son, White Rose Nurseries, Weall & Cullen, Spring Garden Nurseries and V. Kraus Nurseries.

The President announced the Lavers' Open House on Saturday, July 4, 1992, 11 A.M. to 3 P.M., at Springwood Rose Nurseries, the Hamilton and Burlington Rose Show at the RBG, Hamilton, on June 20-21, 1992 and our own National Rose Show, hosted by the York Rose & Garden Society, on Sunday June 28, 1992 at the Civic Garden Centre, Toronto.

The President then introduced our speaker, Robert Osborne of Corn Hill Nursery in Petitcodiac, New Brunswick, who spoke to us about "Roses for Canadian Gardens", the title of his new book, which is available from the Society for $25.00.

After Mr. Osborne's talk, Keith Laver thanked him for a delightful slide presentation, and Mr. Osborne autographed copies of his book.

Adjournment: Ross Linton moved that the meeting be adjourned at 4:40 P.M.. Carried.

ANNUAL MEETING - PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Two years ago, when I became your President, I did not know where to begin. Now it is time to stop and hand the reins over to someone else, someone with fresh ideas and more free time. My presidency has been a rewarding experience, an education and a real challenge, what with our new patent laws and the USDA threatening to quarantine Canadian roses. In some ways, I will miss it.

We began 1991 with an interesting and lively speaker at our Annual Meeting. Malcolm Lowe spoke on Searching for Old Garden Roses. At that meeting we also elected the same Board of Directors that we are electing this year. (The membership must think that we are doing something right!) Subsequently, we elected a new Vice-President, Doreen Stanton, who has been a great help to me.

We have elected a new Honorary President, Audrey Meiklejohn. Audrey has been a pillar of the Canadian Rose Society since its beginnings in 1954. No one else has given more of their time, their expertise and their

garden than Audrey, not to mention her photography and flower arrangements which were available on every occasion. White Rose Nurseries has honoured her with a yellow lovely Hybrid Tea, so now we can all have a touch of Audrey in our gardens (and that is better than having 'Sexy Rexy' in your bed).

This past Fall we lost one of our long time Patrons, Margaret Brophy. We extend our sympathy to her family and friends.

We had an excellent Rose Sale on April 27, 1991, thanks to Jim Anderson and the support of many nurseries. This Sale keeps us in the black, making it unnecessary to raise our dues, which other societies are doing with a vengeance. Remember these nurseries when you purchase your roses. They all advertise in *The Rosarian*, and they all deserve your support.

In June we had a marvellous two day National Rose Show, hosted by the Hamilton and Burlington Rose Society as part of the Royal Botanical Gardens' 50th Anniversary celebration. George Pagowski and Ron Capon chaired a memorable event, in spite of the early blooming season. Although the Hybrid Teas were past their peak, there were a lot of Floribundas and Climbers. Visitors came from far and near to enjoy a beautiful summer weekend.

We have finally managed to schedule the shows in Hamilton and Toronto on different weekends, so that members can participate in both. And we have tentative plans to take our National Show even further afield next year.

The highlight of 1991, of course, was the Ninth World Rose Convention in Belfast, Northern Ireland. Canada had one of the largest contingents present, and it was great fun to meet Canadians everywhere we went. They came from the Maritimes, Quebec, Ontario and a large number from British Columbia. The Convention was almost as good as ours here in 1985, and the rose gardens were definitely better. We are very proud that Ethel Freeman was re-elected Vice-President for North America. Ethel works extremely hard representing us at the World table and brings great respect for Canadian rosarians in doing so.

The big news is that the Tenth Convention will be held in Christchurch, New Zealand in November, 1994. I know this will be one of the best conventions ever, and there is certainly no better place in the world to see roses. You see your own roses from a different slant after attending a World Convention. The friends you make from around the world are never forgotten: Willy in Glasgow, Anne and Mona in New Zealand, Dolly in Perth and so many more. I have a bed already saved for me in New Zealand. Do plan to join us.

We were well represented at several events last Summer and Fall: the Ontario Horticultural Convention in Sault Ste. Marie, the Canadian National Exhibition and the Royal Winter Fair. Thanks to Cec Lamrock, Doreen Stanton and all the others who volunteered to be present on our behalf. Thank you also to Claire Finch, who does our publicity so efficiently,

and to June and Keith Laver, who stand behind the Society's every need and give us roses on every occasion.

The Fall Meeting last September highlighted Audrey's slides on the gardens of the United Kingdom, as visited by her before and after the Belfast convention.

Thank you to Patricia Cook and Jan Cooper for once again running our Slide Competition. The winners will appear in the Spring *Rosarian*.

A special thank you to Gerry Walker for his many years as Editor of *The Rosarian*. Who can think of *The Rosarian* without Gerry, but it is time for both him and his wife Francis to have a rest from it.

I would like to introduce our new Editor, Harry McGee of Lambeth, Ontario. Harry will be taking over with the Summer edition. We enjoyed his articles in last Spring's *Rosarian* and in the 1990 *Rose Annual*, and thought that anyone that could write that well and amusingly could use those talents on *The Rosarian*. Gerry can tell you that the Editor of *The Rosarian* needs a sense of humour above all else. We just hope that Joyce doesn't get to talk to Francis before Harry gets started!

We got a little more technical with the 1991 *Rose Annual*. Ethel Freeman keeps producing different and better *Annuals* year after year, and has promised to do so for a bit longer (for which we are all grateful). Our sincere thanks to both Rachel Flood and Audrey Brisbane for their work on the Clearing House. It is always an essential part of each *Annual*.

Gib Whittamore continues to do a great job with our demonstration gardens. I encourage you to visit as many of these gardens as you can. There is no better way to learn and to get new ideas. We would especially like to thank Bob Keith for all the years he has made his garden available to us.

To our Regional Directors and their Chairman, Jan Cooper, a special thanks. It is only through them that we reach the general public who would like to become rosarians.

In closing, I would like to thank all the members of the Board of Directors. Each of you has helped the Society in your own way and we could not have done without any one of you. It is this diversity that makes us strong.

Please join us and take an active part in your Society. We need volunteers in many areas. You will find that the more you do, the more you get out of it.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve you.

Paul Graber
President

1992 NATIONAL ROSE SHOW

by Richard Chambers

Beautiful roses are produced when good varieties are grown by knowledgeable people, and the blooms entered in the 1992 Canadian National Rose Show, hosted by the York Rose & Garden Society on June 28, at the Civic Garden Centre, Don Mills, Ontario, were exceptional.

A cool Spring in Southern Ontario provided ideal growing conditions, and the bushes responded with blooms of outstanding colour. It was good to once again see Old Garden Roses exhibited with Hybrid Teas at the peak of their bloom. This combination had been missing in this area for the past few years because of hot weather in early spring. Entries of Floribundas, Miniatures and Climbers filled up the classes.

In all, fifty-three exhibitors from across south central Ontario provided over 800 entries. Thank you for sharing your blooms.

Congratulations to all the winners. The National Trophy Classes, which often require more than one perfect bloom to make up an entry, were well represented this year, and deserving of their trophies. The Decorative Section, thanks to the hard work of its Convenor, Pearl Wilby, and to the exhibitors, looked elegant, and drew many appreciative comments.

Exhibitors and visitors to the 1992 Show will especially remember the number, variety and vibrant colours of the Hybrid Teas. Congratulations to Helen Linzer. Her entry, 'Audrey Meiklejohn', won Best in Show. A beautiful Hybrid Tea, it is named in honour of the Canadian Rose Society's Honourary President. Helen picked the rose the morning of the Show, and it was her first ever entry in any rose show! An appropriate choice by the Judges, whom the Show Chairman thanks for making many difficult decisions.

He would also like to thank Patricia Cook for her staging of the Show, and he is especially grateful to the many people who helped make the 1992 National Show a well-attended, beautiful display of roses.

The Following are the Trophy Winners of the 1992 National Show:

TROPHY	VARIETY	WINNER
Three Specimen Hybrid Tea Blooms **W.J. Keenan Bowl**		Claire Finch
Five Specimen Hybrid Tea Blooms **Paul B. Saunders Trophy**		Ray Hopkins

Three Floribunda Blooms Different Varieties **P.L. Whytock Trophy**		Ray Hopkins
Three Stems/Sprays of any Climbing Roses **H.M. Eddie Trophy**		Claire Finch
One Specimen Bloom or Spray of any Rose originating in Canada **F. Blakeney Trophy**	Ice Princess	Sandra Capon
English Box of Six Hybrid Teas/Grandifloras **S. McGredy & Sons Cup**		Ray Hopkins
Seven Different Specimen Miniature Blooms **K.G. Laver Trophy**		J.&K. Wade

Other major winners were:

CATEGORY	VARIETY	WINNER
Best Rose	Audrey Meiklejohn	Helen Linzer
Best Exhibit		Hamilton & Burlington RS
Best Red Rose	Olympiad	Erwin Lipp
Best White Rose	Great Nord	John Cockbain
Best Pink Rose	Lancome	Julius Muha
Best Any Other	World Rose	Erwin Lipp
Best Floribunda	Lavaglut	Julius Muha
Best Climber	Swan Lake	Doreen Stanton
Best Old Garden	Baron Girod de l'Ain	A & P Graber
Best Miniature	Heavenly Days	Pearl Wilby
Best Red Mini	Dream Glow	Cecil Lamrock
Best Decorative Design		Audrey Meiklejohn
Grand Sweepstakes		Claire Finch
Miniature Sweepstakes		Cecil Lamrock
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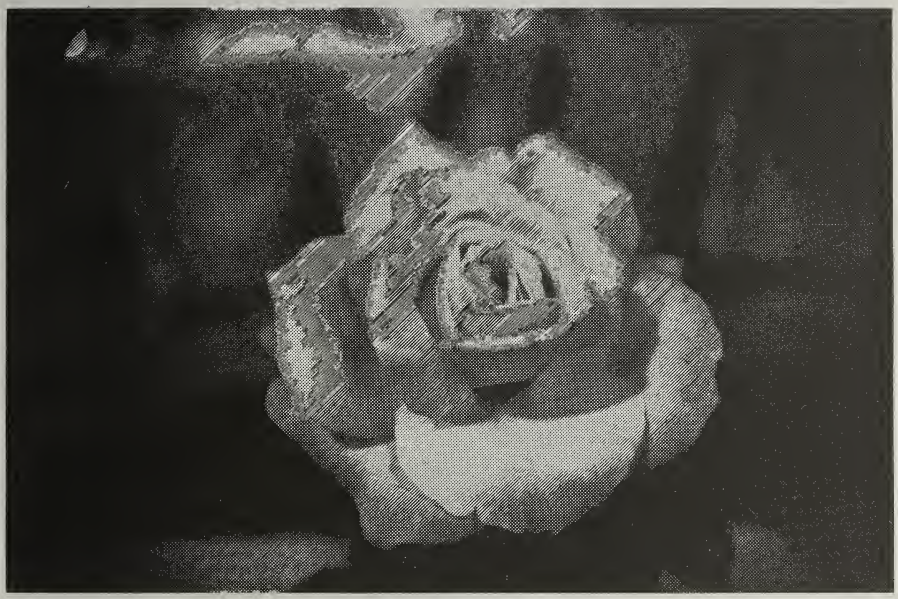

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won by Helen Linzer

BEST EXHIBIT IN SHOW
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'LANCOME'
Best Pink in Show
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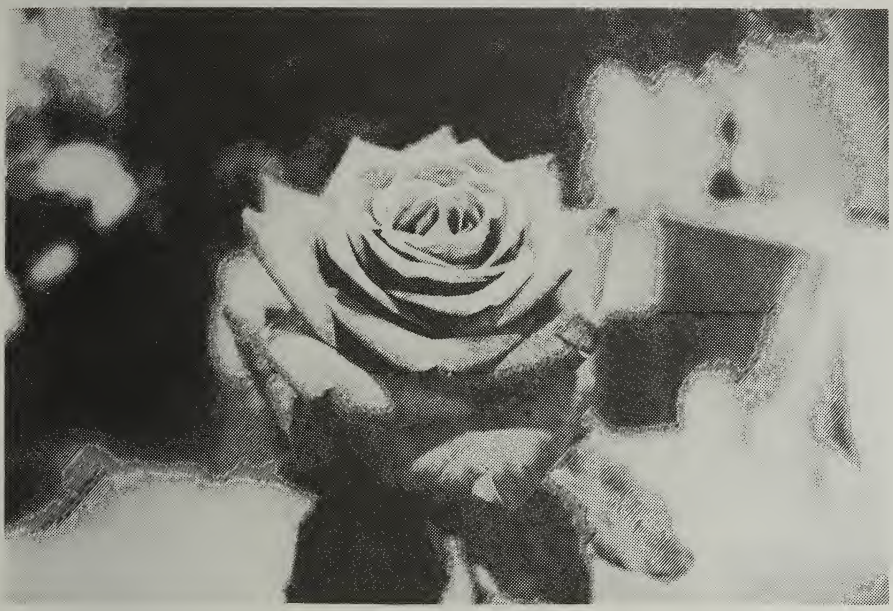

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won by Erwin Lipp

'GREAT NORD'
Best White in Show
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'SWAN LAKE'
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Best Decorative Design
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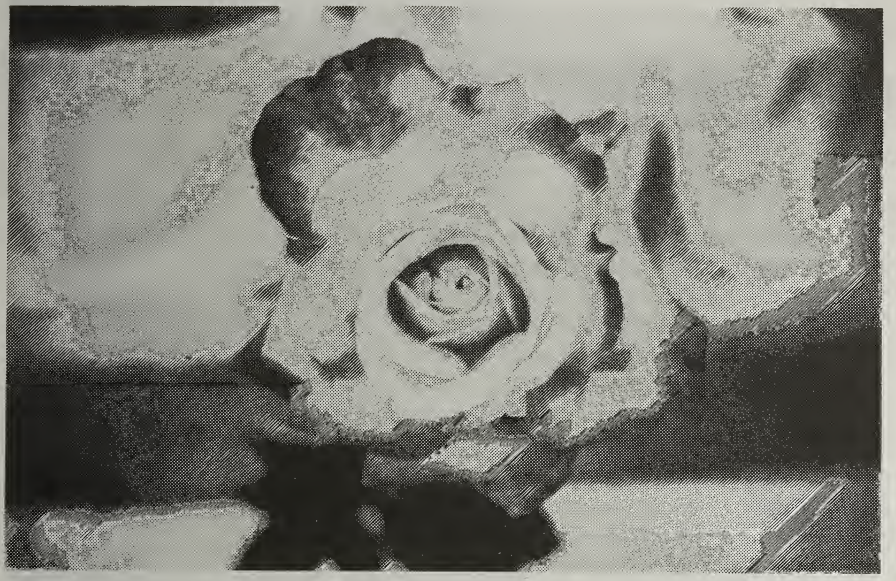
won by Audrey Meiklejohn



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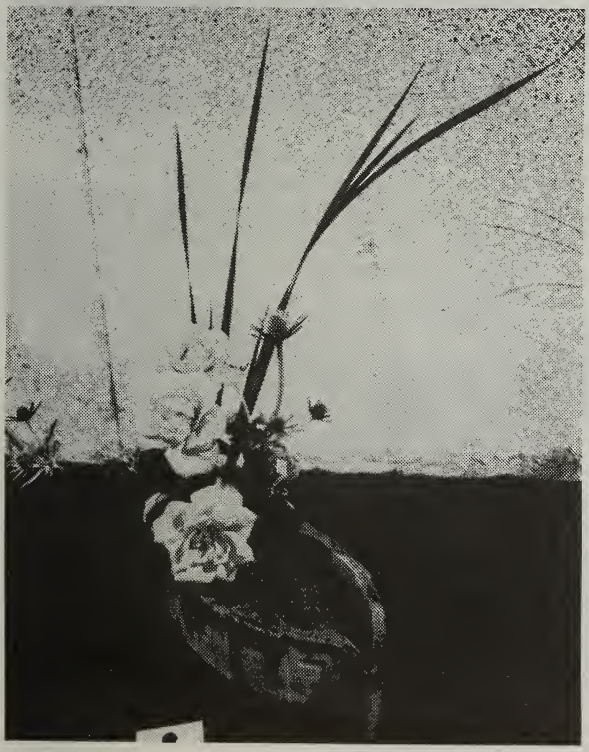

Decorative -
"Banff National Park"
won by Mary Baillie

Decorative - "Prairie Vista"
won by Mary Baillie

Decorative - "Annapolis Valley"
won by Robbie Isbister

THE ANNAPOLIS ROYAL HISTORIC GARDENS IN NOVA SCOTIA

by Jean K. Tyler

The Annapolis Royal Historic Gardens is made up of ten acres of gardens and an adjoining seven acres of restored dykelands in the centre of Annapolis Royal, Canada's only four hundred year old town. The area was acquired and designed in the late 1970's. It was meant to be a beautiful and historic resource which would reflect the various horticultural, arboreal and vegetable growing methods and products that the land and the hand of man had lived with and nurtured over the years in Nova Scotia.

Articles on the Gardens were published in *The Rosarian* in 1984 and 1987. This is meant as an update on these beautiful gardens.

The Annapolis Royal Historic Gardens opened in 1981. They are located on lands that were once private holdings, with old, dyked swamplands below. The land slopes in easy stages from this small town's one main street, Saint George Street with its handsome old residences, down to the Allain River and its conjunction with the tides of the Bay of Fundy. A mild climate, fertile soil and a southern slope make it an ideal site. Mature trees of great age dot it here and there.

The idea for the Gardens came from a group of dedicated town fathers and mothers. With the ongoing assistance of the Nova Scotia Provincial Government, the most optimistic hopes have been realized in the eleven years since the Gardens opened. To date, over 250,000 people have visited them and surprisingly, in this year of recession, attendance exceeded last year's figures by an astounding twelve percent.

The Gardens belong to a non-profit society, which is now run by a local Board of Directors that includes a representative from both the Provincial Government and the Nova Scotia Department of Agriculture. The Department of Agriculture has played a continuous, helpful role in the year-to-year running of the operation. Many local volunteers also offer their assistance, while the Champlain Garden Club, which serves the surrounding area, has its headquarters at the Gardens and helps in many ways. The Gardens employ two fulltime people; a professional Head Horticulturist and a Business Manager. There are also six experienced seasonal gardeners and maintenance people.

While many of you will be interested mainly in the Rose Garden, with its "Roses Through the Ages" theme, its 2000 rose bushes and 203 cultivars, there are other attractions as well. There is an authentic Acadian Cottage overlooking the now restored dykelands. (The men who reconstructed it followed carefully researched plans, used Acadian tools and even wore wooden shoes and smocks!) Next to the Acadian Cottage is a "Potager" where vegetables, herbs and fruits that were raised by the early

French settlers prior to the infamous "Expulsion" in 1755 are grown. In another section of the Gardens a Pine Forest, like the MicMac Indians knew and lived in, is growing to maturity. There is a fountain built of rocks which long predate the MicMacs - basalts, granites, quartzites, sandstones and slates which formed this land after the glaciers retreated.

Annapolis Royal was the capital of the Maritimes in the early 1700's, so there is a Colonial Governor's Garden, a Victorian Garden of the 1800's, an Elizabethan Knot Garden and an Innovative Garden which uses modern gardening techniques, grows new varieties of vegetables and flowers, uses experimental mulches and illustrates companion planting. There is also a Winter Garden, perennial borders, changing annual beds, azaleas, rhododendrons, heaths and heathers, a spectacular Laburnum Arbour, a display of grasses and a comfortable Lookoff from which to view the wildlife in an adjacent freshwater sanctuary which belongs to Ducks Unlimited.

The Gardens also include a half mile walk along the restored dykes, a snack bar under a 300 year old elm, a Gift Shop which specializes in handmade Canadian items and a photo display which details the site from the early 1800's through the stages of construction to its present day beauty. There are magnolia and olive trees, to the surprise of many who do not realize that our beneficent Gulf Stream modifies our climate. (This part of Nova Scotia is very like the west coast of Scotland in that respect.) Four ponds and two fountains using recycled water enhance the scene and attract countless birds. Indeed, over 100 species of birds have been listed by birders.

In the last several years there have been changes and additions to the rose beds. A new bed has been added that contains nine different varieties of the Explorer Roses that were developed by Dr. Felicitas Svejda especially for northern climates. We have also included several new introductions that breeders have released recently.

Patrick Pelham, the Horticulturist who has been with the Gardens from the beginning and who was with the original design team, reports that only a few roses have been discontinued since planting. Most of these have been Hybrid Teas.

Pesticides are used sparingly and under stringent conditions. Spraying is done very early on calm mornings. Signs are posted and the Rose Garden is closed to visitors. Experienced personnel in protective clothing and masks use hose-end sprayers for individual, controlled coverage. Benlate and Funginex have proven effective.

The Hybrid Teas and Grandifloras are mounded with earth for the winter, and the plants in the Rose Maze and Rose Hedges are heavily mulched.

The interest in the Annapolis Royal Historical Gardens now extends to an ever widening audience. The international flow of gardeners, horticulturists, artists and photographers grows in volume each year, and the number of weddings taking place in the Gardens has shot right off our projected graph.

These are Gardens that are not to be missed, so do plan to visit!

"Roses Through the Ages"
Annapolis Royal Historic Gardens

THE WADE GARDEN
at
205 CHERRY STREET
BARRIE, ONTARIO

by Jerry and Kathy Wade

(Editor's Note: This is of the most beautifully landscaped and horticulturally interesting private gardens in Ontario.)

When we moved into our present home in Barrie, Ontario twelve years ago, it was a typical subdivision house, situated on a half acre lot and surrounded by a sea of grass and little else. However, we were blessed with a few mature trees that had somehow been spared from the developer's earth moving equipment. In a way, it was a welcome opportunity to start with a blank canvas and to develop it into an area that we could truly call a garden.

The first year was devoted to creating a development plan in three stages. We also found out about our environmental conditions by tracking the prevailing wind effects and by having a detailed soil analysis done.

We prioritized our three stage plan and then we set about implementing it. Stage One called for hedges, specimen plantings and the rose gardens. Stage Two focused on the aquatic garden and the utility area. Stage Three was the refinement of the initial two stages to make them appear more natural and mature. This stage, which is ongoing, features wildflowers, ornamental grasses and weathered wood structures such as a shelter, benches and a bridge over the ponds.

For many years our garden was a very private place, but after we were approved as a Canadian Rose Society Demonstration Garden it became a place to share with others. We began to see our garden in a different way and through new eyes, and we began to enjoy it even more.

Although we now grow almost 300 roses, we do not limit ourselves to roses. We also have a display of geraniums and pelargoniums (scented, fancy leaf and species, as well as zonals and hanging baskets of ivy leaf varieties) that is one of central Ontario's largest private geranium and pelargonium collections.

This year, for the first time, we displayed our hibiscus collection in the garden. We also expanded our selection of ornamental grasses and sedges.

The two aquatic gardens are perennial favourites with our visitors. They include hybrid water lilies and native water plants such as arrow head and cat tail. These plants, of course, are nursery grown, since we do not believe that plants should be taken from the wilds.

One of our most recent challenges has been our perennial border, which puts on a beautiful display from early Spring into the late Fall. Even now, in late September, we are enjoying chrysanthemums, sedums, echincea, rudbeckias and coreopsis. And today, as I look at the garden, I am delighted to discover that the hardy perennial geraniums are flowering once again.

Becoming a Demonstration Rose Garden buoyed our confidence in our garden, so in 1991 we entered the *Toronto Sun* Garden Contest and we won first prize. This year we were invited to submit an article about our garden to *Northern Lights Magazine*, along with pictures of it. To our surprise and delight, we were featured in a two page spread entitled "A Spade in the Sun".

One area of our garden that gives me great pleasure, and is also of keen interest to our guests, is the trial garden we have established for roses hybridized by Larry Lougheed of Toronto. Although Larry is an amateur hybridizer, he is greatly skilled. Not content to develop "just another rose", he gives us roses to test that are superior to many that are currently available commercially.

This trial area is not only a vote of confidence in our ability to look after his charges and to make intelligent observations and constructive critiques, but it is also a chance to be associated with the leading edge of new rose introductions. The roses we have tested to date for Larry all have their own unique characteristics. One in particular, a pink Hybrid Tea, is superior in many ways. Kathy and I are really impressed with its colour, form and substance. Even the foliage is impressive. This robust bush is one of the earliest to bloom in the spring and is still the most floriferous one in our entire garden now, in early Fall.

Being a Demonstration Garden has encouraged us to keep our garden presentable and attractive all year round. As rosarians we already knew that growing roses successfully was a year round endeavour. But now we also have visitors to our garden year round, even in winter, when people come to see how we winterize our roses. Therefore, we have tried to create a garden that looks good in every season. We think we have achieved this through the careful selection and placement of plant material, statuary, garden furniture and structures that always look good, but that seem to become more interesting as they are blanketed with snow. Living in an area of Ontario that has a snow cover for nearly four months each year, we have really come to appreciate our winter garden. It has been well worth the time and effort that went into its planning.

This past year we hosted 180 visitors at our annual Canada Day Open House, including some from Abbotsford, British Columbia and from Southampton, England. We also hosted two wedding parties for photographs (no confetti please), two Master Gardeners' tours and assorted rosarians from all over who just dropped by.

If you are ever in the Huronia Region, please consider this your invitation to come and visit with us.

Larry Lougheed's Test Bed
in the Garden of Jerry & Kathy Wade

MY GARDEN THIS SUMMER

by Wilda Beattie

(Editor's Note: Manitoba Regional Director, Betty Biddulph, asked Wilda to write about her garden because she considers it one of the best private gardens in Winnipeg. Wilda's garden is always open to the public, and, as it is close to the Municipal Hospitals, she often has wheel chair patients visiting.)

1992 was a summer not to be forgotten - rain, little sunshine, cold days and even colder nights. It was not a summer conducive to good gardening on the Prairies. Nevertheless, the garden, including the rose bed, has never been better. The size, colour and quantity of roses had not been encountered here before. Perhaps we had a taste of what it is like to grow roses in those parts of the world where this type of weather is the norm. For Manitoba, it certainly was extraordinary.

As can be imagined, spraying for powdery mildew and blackspot became more important than ever. However, the rain made it impossible to follow my usual regular spray programme. One plus was that we did not have to worry about spider mites. Also, I did not seem to have any aphids in my garden, although other areas of the city did have a problem with them. Perhaps my lack of aphids can be attributed to the large number of lady bugs in my garden.

The red Hybrid Teas, including 'Red Devil', 'Olympiad', 'Burgund 81' and 'Samantha' produced more bloom than I have ever had from them. This was also true of the Grandiflora 'Proud Mary' and the Floribundas 'Double Talk', 'Montana', 'Red Hot' and 'Trumpeter'. The most striking sight, however, was, and still is, 'Belinda', a medium pink Hybrid Musk and 'Morden Centennial', a medium red Shrub. There are two 'Belinda's (one at each end of the garden) with 'Morden Centennial' between them. What a gorgeous sight! 'Ballerina' is another Hybrid Musk that was planted this Spring. While I don't think it will ever reach the height of 'Belinda', it still is a beautiful thing, with its small, medium pink blossoms.

Two of the Explorer roses, the deep pink 'William Baffin' and the medium red 'Henry Kelsey', both produced bloom in good quantity and showed good staying power, but from what I have observed this summer, they obviously want to climb. Both are most attractive.

These are some of the joys encountered in a very gloomy Prairie summer. Not only did I enjoy my garden, but so did the many people who came into my yard - many of them for more than one visit.

ROSES IN THE ENGLISH GARDEN ASSINIBOINE PARK, WINNIPEG, MANITOBA

by Betty Biddulph

The rose beds in the English Garden in Assiniboine Park produced an exceptional display of glorious, colourful blooms this year. Although the roses are only a part of this beautiful garden, they dominated the whole display.

The English Garden was designed by George Chapman in 1927, and the initial layout was completed in 1931. Situated near the south banks of the Assiniboine River, the garden has been enlarged to cover 3.9 acres, and is presently undergoing further improvements.

Approaching the main entrance on the south, one passes a rock garden where a bronze statue, "Boy with the Boot", stands at the edge of a pool. Looking through the tyndall stone gate posts, which secure the white fence that surrounds the garden, one sees the tall cedars which stand on either side of the walk and are skirted by red Impatiens. To the right is a triangular bed of 100 mixed roses types - a riot of colour! These established roses feature Shrubs such as 'Prairie Dawn' and 'F.J. Grootendorst' in the background, along with the Grandifloras 'Queen Elizabeth' and 'Gold Medal'. There are also Hybrid Teas such as 'Goldsmith', 'Pascali', 'Medallion', 'Helen Traubel', 'Prima Ballerina' and 'Chrysler Imperial', to name a few. The Floribunda 'Iceberg' and the Shrub 'Morden Cardinette' are in the foreground of the bed.

The fish pond, which is the focal point of the garden, is encircled by a broad lawn, from which four wedge shaped beds radiate. Beyond the pond, the relocated original sundial is one of several monuments and statues in the garden.

A broad stone central walkway divides the garden. Proceeding down it, the first bed to the right boasts new plantings of the Hybrid Teas 'Olympiad', 'Garden Party', 'Fragrant Cloud', 'Mister Lincoln', 'Silver Jubilee' and 'Chicago Peace, the Grandifloras 'Love' and 'Queen Elizabeth' and the Floribunda 'French Lace'. The roses are planted in groups of ten of each variety. This year 'French Lace' was particularly outstanding.

Proceeding north, the next bed contains 150 bushes of the new rose 'Winnipeg Parks', hybridized at the Morden Research Station and named in honour of the Centennial of the Winnipeg Parks and Recreation Department. The attractive, large, rosy-red blooms produced a breath taking display, and received much attention this year. The planting is bordered on one side with blue and white Salvia, which greatly complements the roses.

At the far end of this same bed, past several groupings of annuals, a new planting of 'Queen Elizabeth' reached a height of four feet. The

Hybrid Teas 'Pink Peace', 'Touch of Class', 'Olympiad', 'Keepsake' and 'Alec's Red' also showed prolific growth. 'Alec's Red' attained a height of five feet, but was subject to balling in late August - probably due to excessive moisture and the abnormally cool days and cold nights.

If one turns left from the central walkway, one sees a fifth bed bordering the circular lawn. At the back of this bed are the Shrubs 'Assiniboine', 'Isabella Skinner', 'Cuthbert Grant' and 'Therese Bugnet'. They form the background for the Hybrid Teas 'Goldsmith', 'Chrysler Imperial', 'Josephine Bruce', 'Oklahoma', 'Papa Meilland', 'Pristine' and 'Folklore', and the Floribundas 'Betty Prior', 'Iceberg', 'Spartan' and 'Europeana'.

Banked behind the rose beds are separate displays of 51 different annuals, many with four or five varieties of each type. There is a total of 40,000 annuals! As well, there are twelve varieties of perennials in unknown quantities. Fruit and ornamental trees complement all the beds.

A regular spraying programme has minimized disease problems. As well, fertilizing and the abundant rain this year has benefitted the roses and all the other plants. The garden has never been so beautiful.

One would be remiss in not mentioning the Leo Mol Garden, which was opened adjacent to the English Garden this year. It is beautifully designed to complement the artistry and placement of its statuary, and its trees, shrubs and pathways are well executed. A glass enclosed building, which houses additional works, is enhanced by a lily pond at its entrance.

Thousands of people visit the English Garden every year, and many Winnipeg residents make regular visits to follow the progress of the plants, and especially the roses, every season. We hope that all summer travellers, and especially rosarians, will visit the garden when they are in Winnipeg.

'WINNIPEG PARKS'

'Winnipeg Parks' is a new rose cultivar developed and introduced by Agriculture Canada, Research Station, Morden, Manitoba. This rose will survive in climatic zones 3-5, and is suitable for use as a bedding landscape rose or as a specimen plant. It is the tenth cultivar in the Parkland Rose Series. This cultivar is named in honour of the City of Winnipeg Parks and Recreation Department Centennial in 1993.

'Winnipeg Parks' is a low-growing everblooming plant. Plants are dense bushes which average 45-70 cm in height and 35-70 cm in width. The plant habit is similar to that of Floribundas. The leaves have reddish tinges in cool temperatures.

Flowers are produced for eleven weeks during the growing season, with the main flush in June. Flowers are medium red and fade to dark pink-red. They are of medium size with a slight fragrance. Blooms come either singly or in clusters of two to four flowers.

Field resistance to local populations of powdery mildew and rust is good, while field resistance to blackspot is fair to good. 'Winnipeg Parks' is intermediate in winter survival and regrowth compared to other cultivars of the Parkland Series. Stem dieback may occur, especially in colder climates, but regrowth occurs from the lower stem and crown, to produce a vigourous bush which flowers profusely that season. In effect, this growth pattern also reduces the height of the plant.

Plants should be available from your local nurseries this year.

WINNIPEG PARKS (Shrub)
(Collicutt & Marshall, 1990)

THE YEOMANS GARDEN
at
6276 DUNBAR STREET
VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA

by C.D. Yeomans

Four hundred and sixty three people perambulated our garden during week-ends in June this year. Most expressed their pleasure in visiting the garden; however, one man remarked that his 'Sally Holmes' was bigger than ours (ours is only two years old). My wife heard some rave reviews through the window of the laundry room where she was working. So it must be more than just a clutter of rose bushes and a few perennials. Of course the garden is at its best in February when the crocuses are in flower.

When we bought this property twenty-eight years ago there was a ramshackle little house on it and a mass of weeds for a garden. We also had the top soil (not topsoil) piled in a corner and started making a garden. There were some wet areas and through these I put drain tile. I dug a couple of beds and filled these with mushroom manure and soil from the heap. I green-manured these over the winter, added more compost and planted roses the following fall. Using compost and patience I gradually built the other beds. Every spring I added compost; people who visit for the first time say: "It's easy for you to grow good roses here; you have such good soil". To which I reply: "It should be good; I have been building it for twenty-eight years". Three years ago the lady who owns the stable where I regularly go for litter to add to my compost heaps, gave me some two-year old manure; there was only enough for three bushes; the growth of these was so spectacular that I now have old-manure boxes. The rotted stable litter cuts like cheese and in the spring I spread it around the roses as far as it will go.

In earlier, more energetic days I planted roses to fit the show schedule of the Vancouver Rose Society. The rose show is the display window of the Society, and my main aim was to enter as many classes as possible to make a good show for the public, who pay admission and some of whom become enthused and join the Society. I dislike exhibiting and I am glad that I do not have to do it on that scale now; it would not be physically possible anyway. (A friend said that he enjoyed his garden until he started exhibiting, so I am not the only one.) But the choice of roses for the garden has changed. I still grow about 250 Hybrid Teas and Floribundas and modern shrubs and about 100 minis: but there is space now for some very fragrant roses, such as 'Lemon Spice', 'Royal Albert Hall', 'Typhoo Tea', 'Courvoisier' (smells like brandy), 'Northern Lights', 'Stephen Langdon' and 'White Cockade', which are not exhibition roses. In addition I grow favourite pastel coloured roses such as 'Perle d'Or', 'Allister Stella Gray' and 'Cl. Lady

Hillingdon'. I am very fond of the Rev. Joseph Pemberton's girls: 'Cornelia', 'Kathleen', 'Felicia', 'Penelope', 'Thisbe' and 'Francesca'. And we have to have a couple of plants of my wife's favourite, 'Just Joey'.

For fun with visitors I grow three roses high up trees. One of them was sold to me as R. helenae, which it is not; another one was given to me as a cutting and is R. brunonii; the third is R. canina; I once stuck a cutting of canina in the ground near the hedge, thinking it might be useful for budding, and forgot about it; a few years later some flowers of canina appeared thirty feet up a cedar tree.

Some years ago I was exhibiting at a small show when there appeared in the Grandiflora class three beautiful roses. They were not Grandifloras and did not win; after the show was dismantled I searched through the garbage and found them. I had some understock at home and two of the buddings took. I found out that they were the moss 'Henry Martin'. That was the beginning of my love for some of the old garden roses; I started growing them on the boulevard and find that I now have 95 of them, including two unnamed ones. Most of them flower in June-July; most of them are graceful plants with beautiful foliage in the spring; some have colourful hips. The best hips are on R. eglanteria which I got from an interesting garden which we visited and which was so overgrown with weeds that my wife said that she would never again tick me off for having an untidy garden. The plant that visitors most admire is a large bush of R. rubrifolia (a much prettier name than R. glauca, which sounds as if somebody were gagging on his food).

When we moved here my neighbour had a cedar hedge about twelve feet high on the east side of my property. That hedge is now forty feet high and cuts out the morning sun from some of my beds. Some of the other trees on the south side of the property have also grown to overpowering dimensions; I suspect that it would now be illegal for us to cut them down; and anyway we get a lot of pleasure from watching the birds and the squirrels which use them. But the roses suffer.

We welcome CRS visitors, even if they don't come when the garden is at its best in February.

Dennis Yeomans in his Garden

BURNABY MOUNTAIN CENTENNIAL ROSE GARDEN

by Douglas G. Hosgood

Rising steeply out of Burrard Inlet, Burnaby Mountain Park is a magnificent setting. With its great views of the cities of Vancouver and Burnaby and of the Coast Mountains, it was an ideal spot to put a rose garden. Officially opened on July 18, 1992, the Centennial Rose Garden has over 1100 bushes. On Opening Day, it looked much more established than one would expect from plantings that began late in November, 1991 and were not finished until May, 1992.

Long-time Burnaby resident, Mark Stockdale, a Past President and life member of the Vancouver Rose Society, proposed the garden as one of three "legacy" projects commemorating Burnaby's 1992 Centennial. It was enthusiastically endorsed by the Centennial Committee and by the Parks and Recreation Commission.

The Parks and Recreation Commission assigned the design of the garden to one of their staff, Richard Sporns, B.L.A., B.Sc. He used a 100 foot circle (one foot for each year of Burnaby's history) that is intersected by two sweeping arcs linking the perimeter paths. A pergola for climbers faces the crest of the garden, where a granite-faced, raised bed contains an arch.

Mark Stockdale co-opted Art Pastro and this writer to select the rose varieties for the garden. Bill Bisset, the Municipal Horticulturist, supervised the building and the planting.

It was agreed that the varieties of roses selected would be those which have been found suitable for this clime by Vancouver Rose Society members, and that the roses would be Canadian grown. This would ensure that they were on suitable rootstock and that they were hardy. It would also mean that they were available to the average Burnaby gardener and would flourish if they planted them at home.

The Vancouver Rose Society donated 36 English roses (three each of 'Abraham Darby', 'Belle Story', 'Charles Austin', 'Dapple Dawn', 'Ellen', 'Graham Thomas', 'Heritage', 'L.D. Braithwaite', 'Mary Rose', 'Perdita', 'Warwick Castle' and 'William Shakespeare'). They also donated 36 'Queen Elizabeth' and a number of modern shrubs including 'Sparrieshoop', 'Fred Loads' and 'Westerland'.

In addition, a "Canadiana" section was started, which will contain varieties hybridized by Canadians. It now has 'Canadian White Star' and 'Shades of Pink', hybridized by George Mander, 'Champlain' and 'A. MacKenzie', hybridized by Dr. Svejda, 'Morden Blush' and 'Morden Fireglow', hybridized by Dr. Henry Marshall and Lynn Collicutt, and the two AARS winners, 'Sheer Elegance' and 'All That Jazz', hybridized by Jerry

Twomey.

Mark and I thoroughly enjoyed working with Rick Sporns and Bill Bissett. Their enthusiasm was tremendous. Helping them find suppliers was a great learning experience. In some instances, sufficient quantities of a cultivar could not be found in all of Canada, so a few additional varieties had to be agreed upon on short notice. Suppliers included Aldergrove Nursery (wholesale), Heritage Nursery, Select Roses (miniatures), The Rose Farm in British Columbia, Carl Pallek & Son and Pickering Nurseries. All were extremely cooperative and helpful.

We urge you to visit the new Burnaby Centennial Rose Garden.

BREEDING HARDY ROSES

by
Dr. H.H. Marshall & Ms. L.M. Collicutt
Agriculture Canada,
Morden Research Station

Understanding the need to breed hardy roses requires some knowledge of the origin of cultivated roses. Roses have been cultivated and admired for more than 2000 years. Their beauty was recorded in the art and literature of early civilizations in the Mediterranean region and in the Near and Far East. Roses were carved in stone and painted on pottery, canvas or paper. Their praise was recorded in prose, poetry and song in many languages. Roses were among the first plants cultivated for beauty of colour, form and fragrance.

The first rose breeding can be regarded as partly accidental. Deliberate cross pollinations were not made because sexual reproduction in plants was not recognized until recent times. No one could predict what the results of cross pollination might be until Mendel's work was rediscovered in 1901.[1] Even then, many details of genetics had yet to be discovered. With no understanding of the sexual process or of genetics, purposeful crosses could not be made. Hybridizations occurred where species were disturbed by clearing and cultivation of fields, and where gardeners collected and grew the best kinds of roses they could find.

The selection of better types was not accidental. Ancient gardeners knew a superior plant when they saw it and they knew how to propagate their favourites. These unrecorded plant breeders produced great changes in cultivated plants. Recent breeders have used the broad base these early plant people developed.

Throughout history, gardeners have sought, and are still seeking, better roses. Their search has found enormous variability in many characteristics of the genus, but has not produced the perfect rose. This is because rose lovers differ greatly in their tastes and preferences. Roses are used for many purposes in many climates. There are only better roses for one place, one person or one purpose. Our challenge is to breed better roses for our harsher climate, with its extremes of cold, heat and drought, and to provide something new if we can.

Cultivated roses today vary from huge trailing plants large enough

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[1]Gregor Johann Mendel (1822-84). He recorded his experiments with hybridization of peas and discovered the laws of heredity. His works were published in 1865, but their importance was not recognized until 1901.

to cover a house, to tiny plants that will not fill a window. Flowers range from quite small blooms in large clusters to very large ones borne singly on long stems. They may have from five to 100 petals, but often have 25 to 35. Flower colours include numerous shades of rose, pink, lavender, red, scarlet, crimson, white, yellow and a number of combinations and bicolours. Plants bloom on a continuum from once in late spring or early summer to more or less continuously throughout the growing season. Roses also exhibit a range of scents including sweet, tea, orange and cinnamon. In some roses, the scent originates mainly from the foliage. Some roses have little scent and others are so strongly scented as to be the basis of a perfume industry. Rose fruits are used to an extent as a fruit or a source of vitamins. Rose petals have also been used as food in a minor way. Breeding, planned or unplanned, has produced so many variants that *Modern Roses 9* lists several thousand cultivars, all ultimately derived from wild species.

Rose species are all native to the northern hemisphere. They range from the subarctic to the subtropics of both Eurasia and North America. The distribution map (*The Complete Book of Roses*, G. Krussmann, p. 12) would seem to be fairly accurate. However, the southern extensions in Arabia, Ethiopia, southern India and Mexico could have been due to human activity. An isolated Caninae rose in Mexico is contrary to known botanical patterns, but it may have been introduced from Spain by the many immigrants from the area where Caninae roses are native. While most rose species are native to warm temperature climates, many are found where winters are cold and where summers are hot and dry.

The genus Rosa is a large one and difficult to classify for several reasons. Closely related native species are often separated by geographical boundaries. These may be as distinct as a mountain range or seashore, or as diffuse as the change in rainfall in 1000 km of prairie. The divided species develop ecotypes with appropriate traits for each part of their range, which may be as distinct or indistinct as the range barrier that separates them. On the Canadian prairies, where only 2n, 4n or 6n forms of Section Cinnamomea are native, no distinct borders may be found among the several species or subspecies that have been described at each ploidy level. Differences occur that can be sorted by a keen eye but they are of a kind that could happen within a family of seedlings. Our crosses between R. rugosa from eastern Asia and R. woodsii from North America suggest that they too would merge except for the substantial natural barrier of the Pacific Ocean. Crosses were made easily with either as the seed parent and all seedlings were highly fertile. Similarly, local R. woodsii crosses easily with R. foliolosa (section Carolinae) from Texas. In fact, R. acicularis, the most northerly rose species, has found a way around the Ocean to a circumpolar distribution and the several forms are not easily distinguished. It is probable that natural barriers are the main isolating factor in other species, but it is also certain that others are isolated by internal factors which prevent crossing.

Botanical studies began long after roses had been brought into

cultivation and carried to new locations. Even before this, cultivation had disturbed natural barriers and allowed formerly separate species to hybridize. Roses are primarily sun-loving pioneer species around newly opened spaces. Primitive cultivation practices opened many spaces for wild roses. The edges of cultivated plots and abandoned fields were excellent places for chance hybrids to start. Here they would be noticed by keen-eyed gardeners who were always watching for something different or better. When selected roses from diverse sources were planted together in gardens, the possibilities for crossing increased. Infertile hybrids and multi-petal forms could persist in gardens with a little help from man, but would tend to disappear in the wild because of their limited ability to reproduce. Seeds are required for wider dispersal than is possible by natural vegetative means. It is probable that species such as R. centifolia (multipetaled, few seeds) and R. foetida (single flowered, few seeds) are strictly garden species. Searches through European botanic garden seed lists over several years failed to find seed of R. foetida. 'Austrian Briar' and 'Austrian Copper' produced scant seed both in greenhouse crosses and natural self pollinations. Other species may also be of horticultural or even accidental origin from a time when books on roses were not written.

Botanical errors can be very difficult to correct. Once a "species" is published it may be difficult to prove it does not exist. For example, the highly variable R. arkansana has been published under at least four other names, R. alcea, R. heliophila, R. pratincola and R. sufulta (Scoggan 1978). This species is often seen on country roadsides in clonal groups. A slow drive in early July will show numerous variants in colour, pubescence and height. Another example, a personal inspection of rose specimens in a herbarium in Chengdu, Peoples Republic of China, showed that many intermediate forms could be found among species native to that area. No doubt there are "surplus" names there too. The first rose selections were often offered for sale just as new cultivars are at present. Salesmen have been known to overstate the virtues of their product. The point is that both botanical classifications and horticultural descriptions should be taken with some salt, even when not utterly false. Published pedigrees of cultivars should also be suspect. In some, the breeder did not wish to tell all; in others, because of errors in identification of species or simple mistakes in labels or work. Stray pollen is a potent cause of error, particularly when the proposed parents are highly or totally incompatible. A few errant grains are difficult to guard against, but they may easily father all seedlings from a projected cross. One must expect some of the male parent's characters to show in the progeny or reject them as "strangers".

There is great variability available in species and hybrids of roses. Estimates of the number of rose species vary widely. *Modern Roses 7* lists 144 species plus many subspecies, while Krussman lists 130 and *Hortus Third* lists 82. Horticultural classifications are even more confusing. Many new classes of roses have been introduced, particularly in the last 200 years.

These were distinct when introduced, but with further crossing they have tended to merge into other classifications. The most recent is the linking of Hybrid Tea and Floribunda by intercrossing and the introduction of intermediate classes. The great mass of variability and of information, correct or incorrect, makes it difficult to trace the origin of garden roses. It seems, beyond dispute, that most of the parents of garden roses came from the southern part of the range for the genus. That is where they were first cultivated, and few are hardy in northern climates. The everblooming character is not possible in native northern species because seeds could not mature from late bloom. Many non-hardy cultivars could not mature seeds from early bloom because of the long maturing time required. Similarly, the long branches of a climber could not grow and mature in a short summer to an extent that they might survive a cold northern winter. Existing cultivars can be used as sources of desired traits, but the search for hardiness must be directed to northern species.

Northern species are low shrubs from 0.5 m to occasionally 2 m in height. They usually have a short season of bloom and, in fact, the most northerly, R. acicularis, blooms early and for about one week, as do the several forms of R. spinosissima. Many of the species hardy on the prairies are from the large Section Cinnamomea from North America and northern Eurasia. These probably total about 15 species, but some species are rather similar. Two or three species from the closely related Carolinae might be included, but their distribution in Newfoundland and in swamps does not indicate tolerance for dry prairie conditions. Section Pimpinellifolia also could contribute four or five hardy and drought tolerant species from Eurasia. A few forms of Section Caninae seem fairly hardy, but they are difficult to use as parents because of a unique distribution of chromosomes in the pollen and ovules. These species have 28, 35 or 42 chromosomes but only 7, or rarely 14, are carried by the pollen and the rest by the ovules. The direction of the cross will make important differences, and almost anything can happen with chromosome distribution in the segregating progeny. The large number of species in Cinnamomea, plus the other species mentioned, provide ample genetic sources for breeding hardy roses.

Any breeding programme needs an objective that can be attained, and this is certainly true in breeding hardy roses. It is also true that the project will become progressively more difficult as we add more desired characters to the list of requirements. Early breeding programmes seemed to call for total winter hardiness, which is not easily attained because hardiness is due to many factors. Adding a requirement for quality bloom and colour were sufficient to make the task difficult. At the same time, rose fanciers were growing tender roses that killed severely every year. If they lived, the plants were cut back to promote better bloom. Total hardiness seemed unnecessary. Our objective at the Morden Research Station was to breed a rose which would survive without special covering and would produce good quality and quantity of bloom each year. Hardiness to the tips was not

required.

Chromosome number should be considered when planning rose crosses. These carriers of heredity are well explained in Krussmann. While infertility may be desirable in a garden rose because it limits energy expenditure on unwanted fruit, it can be a problem in a breeding programme. Recessive genes will not be expressed in the first generation crosses with wild hardy roses. No further generation can be expected from sterile parents. Mixing chromosome numbers is a predictable way of producing infertile hybrids. There are many instances of sterile roses spontaneously changing to a fertile state but their occurrence is too erratic to be planned. The first HT and FL roses were infertile triploids, but now most are tetraploid. We had no success doubling the chromosome number with colchicine in this genus. Diploid roses tend to have thinner, less substantial petals than tetraploids. Since the more advanced rose cultivars are mainly tetraploid, it seemed desirable to use a tetraploid hardy parent, even though genetics is much more complex at this level.

Sterility may also arise from genetic causes, but these usually can only be found by trial. The more extreme forms of double flowers cause sterility by petals replacing stamens and functional pistils. Another example of genetic sterility was observed in a group with exceptionally intense peonin colour: three of our selections and Percy Wright's 'Quadroon'. Some form of incompatibility prevents certain interspecific crosses. 'Donald Prior' accepted R. arkansana pollen but other FL and HT did not. Even among our hybrids, certain crosses were less effective than expected and others more so. Sib crosses and other close matings gave a high percentage of weak seedlings and one excellent selection, 'Cuthbert Grant'. In a genus as large as Rosa there is certain to be a number of genes that could cause sterility or other breeding problems.

There are short term advantages to using diploid hardy parents in breeding hardy roses and most of the first hardy roses grown on the prairies were from such parentage (the breeding of Hanson, Preston, Skinner). It is possible to develop a shrub with fair hardiness and large double flowers from a relatively small population of seedlings. If R. rugosa is used as a parent, the rugosa type foliage can be quite attractive and some repeat bloom can be expected in the progeny. Examples of this type of breeding are best seen in Dr. F. Svjeda's work in developing several cultivars from R. rugosa. This species is receptive to a wide range of pollen. Disadvantages are that the plants are likely to be quite large bushes, necessitating a high degree of hardiness. If they are killed or cut back severely, bloom is improbable until the next year as flowers are produced on wood one year or older. The flowers are usually low centred and the petals lack the regular arrangement and firm texture of the best roses. Crosses between R. rugosa and the best garden roses, which are mostly tetraploid, are likely to give sterile hybrids. Further improvement by breeding may be difficult. For example, further Grootendorst cultivars beyond the original 'F.J. Grootendorst' are listed as

sports from the original.

In contrast to the diploid crosses, few first generation hybrids with tetraploid hardy species are introduced as garden roses. Our visual search found only a few, 'Assiniboine', 'Harrison's Yellow', 'Hazeldean', 'Prairie Fire' and the 'Fruhlings' series. There are few short term advantages to using tetraploid hardy species as parents. Since many tetraploid hybrids are fertile in some degree, it is possible to continue breeding to later generations and to recover recessive characters that never appear in the first generation; characters such as ever-blooming and pelargonin pigment. These will be discussed further.

R. acicularis (2n=42,56) has contributed very little to rose breeding up to the present and probably less than claimed because of confusion with R. woodsii. This is the most northerly species in the world and potentially a very good source of hardiness. However, the high chromosome count, no doubt, contributes to the difficulty in using it in breeding. R. rugosa X R. acicularis appears in the parentage of several of F.L. Skinner's introductions. If this is correct, this might have served as an artificial tetraploid. Our attempts to produce this and similar crosses failed. Yet Ziola and Dugle report collecting local wild plants believed to be crosses between R. acicularis and our diploid native species. We have seen a very few large native rose bushes believed to be this hybrid, but have never had one in cultivation. From our survey of hardy parents, it seems possible that 'Parkside' is one of these.

At times there may be advantages in using known hybrids from hardy species as the donor of hardy genes. 'Assiniboine' produces few seeds, but the pollen has been used effectively in crosses with HT which did not accept R. arkansana pollen. 'Suzanne' (Skinner) R. laxa X R. spinosissima, F2 also seems valuable as a hardy bridge. The data presented on Ottawa L83 (Svjeda) indicates it may have advantages over R. kordesii in breeding hardy tetraploid roses. Much of its ancestry is unknown because of open pollinated seed, but the fact that a 2 m shrub survives at Ottawa shows that some parent carried hardiness. R. kordesii has attractive foliage and crosses easily with a range of roses, but it could not be expected to be a valuable hardy parent because of the large content of R. wichuraiana, a tender half evergreen species from eastern China. Morden RSM K1 also may be useful because of the combination of R. rugosa with a mainly R. arkansana hybrid. This does not end the list of possible hardy parents but only gives a few examples. Which plants are valuable as parents will be determined by trial and time.

The genetics of roses are complicated and not nearly as well mapped as in several important food or research species. As stated earlier, hardiness is not a simple factor but involves everything that affects the health of the plant. These can include how it responds to local soil conditions, several serious diseases, day length, when and to what extent it can resist low temperatures and other stresses of winter. Hardiness alone is due to many

factors.

Although a wide range of flower doubleness exists in roses, the double form is usually desired. Lammerts has proposed that double flowers are conditioned by one set of partly dominant genes. When none are present, flowers have the normal wild five petals. One set of genes results in a few extra petals. The number of petals increase in 5 stages with an increasing number of genes to a maximum of about 80 petals. The optimum number seems to be in the intermediate range of 25 to 35 petals. Our results indicate that petal number may be modified by other genes to give more than five stages of double flowers. For example, there appears to be a response to low temperatures when flowers are initiated, early summer blooms (when temperatures are cooler) tend to have more petals than blooms initiated in mid-summer. The situation is not always consistent as cultivars differ in this response. The situation appears more complicated than Lammerts proposed, as sometimes a double crossed with a semi-double will yield mainly semi-double flowered plants. 'J.W. Fargo' is a cultivar of R. arkansana which has double flowers mainly due to an increased number of petaloids rather than petals. The petaloid double found in 'J.W. Fargo' (and presumably in the similar 'John Allen' and 'Woodrow') was completely recessive in a family crossed to a semi-double R. arkansana hybrid and, therefore, this may be a different form of double flower both in appearance and genetically.

Flower colour is another complex matter. The range of colours and shades known in roses by itself confirms this. We have not worked sufficiently with yellow to say more than that it is not simple. The scarcity of yellow in old roses confirms this idea. The numerous shades of pink and red are due to the interaction of many genes that determine what pigment is present and others that affect the intensity of pigmentation. The old roses had only one red pigment, cyanin (cyanidin 3-5 diglucoside) in varying amounts which produced rose to crimson shades. Cyanin tends to become bluer as the flower ages and also in interactions with certain chemicals. This latter reaction has given the lavender shades of the so-called blue roses. No blue pigment has been reported to occur 'naturally' in roses or seemingly in any of the Rosaceae.

Two chemically and genetically related pigments have been found more recently in roses. Peonin was found in R. rugosa (Harborne 1961), but also occurs in many others: Cinnamomea, Carolinae, Microphyllae and Minutifolia. The spectrophotometer light absorption curve for cyanin and peonin are almost identical, but peonin fluoresces pink from ultraviolet in daylight, thus presenting more purple or pink visual effects. It is frequently more prominent on the outer side of the petals. It can also be modified to give, when present with cyanin, a cardinal red shade as in 'Europeana' and 'Adelaide Hoodless'. The purple shades, often associated with peonin, are frequent in hardy shrub roses such as 'Hansa'.

In this century, pelargonin appeared in cultivated roses although it

is totally unknown in any species or old rose. The scarlet or shrimp pink colours it gives could hardly have been overlooked. Its origin has been attributed to a recent mutation, but this theory would require several parallel mutations for it has appeared in several unrelated lines. A more probable explanation is that pelargonin is conditioned by part of the genes that produce peonin. Our studies did not include sufficient numbers of seedlings to determine segregation ratios, but the inheritance of recessive pelargonin is simpler than that of peonin. Some of our R. arkansana (cyanin plus peonin) hybrids with cyanin parents but no known pelargonin parents, segregated for pelargonin as in 'Morden Fireglow'. Further, several pelargonin cultivars in *Modern Roses 7* were all traced back to R. foetida or R. roxburghii. Peonin has been reported in 'Austrian Copper', and the gene may be hidden in forms of R. foetida that express yellow but no form of anthocyanin. Peonin was obvious in R. roxburghii, seen in China. Pelargonin may be conditioned by part of the complex that produces peonin. Crossing a pure cyanin rose with a peonin type, as was done in introducing yellow from R. foetida into HT, allows the factors for peonin to segregate and give pelargonin. Since no one expected this result, it was many years before it appeared in a pure enough form to be recognized.

Neither peonin nor pelargonin have been reported in the absence of cyanin, so it seems that the ability to produce cyanin is basic to the production of any anthocyanin. Peonin or pelargonin may occur with cyanin in varying amounts of any pigment. The three have been found together, but we found a negative correlation between peonin and pelargonin which would limit this relationship. There also seems to be genes that increase or inhibit the production of anthocyanin. In the families we studied, all progeny were clustered around the parental mean of total pigment and none exhibited the full range of red pigmentation. This suggests the interaction of several genes for colour intensity. It is important to choose parents, if possible, with a colour intensity near that desired in the progeny, otherwise shades of pink or rose will predominate.

The development of colour in roses seems to follow a pattern similar to that in Antirrhinum (Snapdragon) (Harrison and Stickland) with an additional pigment, peonin. There is evidence for two forms of white in roses, as in Antirrhinum. The more common form blocks the change from flavonoid precursors to anthocyanin at a late stage. Flowers are usually slightly yellowish or greenish, due to the presence of flavonoids. It is the preferred white because the plants are vigorous. This gene may be one of the colour inhibitors mentioned in the previous paragraph. Inheritance seems to be quantitative as for anthocyanin. R. rugosa alba carries another white gene, which is a simple recessive that blocks flavonoid formation at an early stage. As in Antirrhinum and other species, this gene reduces plant vigour and may be seen as pale green leaves in quite small seedlings. While the white is clearer, it is difficult to use because of the vigour problem.

One could add a particular type of foliage, a lack of thorns and your

favourite scent to the list of complex factors desired in a rose. At this point it should become clear that there is another reason why there is no perfect rose. The genetic odds are sufficient to satisfy the most inveterate gambler. The big pot is drawn at best once a year. Sure, there will be small gains to tempt you at other times. The grand pay out when you achieve your perfect rose may never come, but the game is interesting and you may make some gains that will bring pleasure to yourself and to others in your climatic zone.

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'MORDEN FIREGLOW'

'Morden Fireglow' is a new cultivar introduced by Agriculture Canada, Morden, Manitoba, as a hardy, low-growing shrub rose.

Plants are an everblooming rose cultivar and survive in Zones 3 and 2b (Agriculture Canada Hardiness Zones). 'Morden Fireglow' grows to 100 cm in height and 65 cm in width. Field resistance to powdery mildew and rust is good, while resistance to blackspot is fair. Flowers are produced on current season and older stems, mainly in June and then intermittently through the season. They measure 6-8 cm in diameter, have 25-30 petals and are scarlet to scarlet-red in colour. Plants should be grown on their own roots.

The scarlet-red flower colour is rare in hardy roses, with only one other cultivar presently available in this colour range.

'Morden Fireglow' should be available this year at your local nursery or garden centre.

MORDEN FIREGLOW (Shrub)
(Collicutt & Marshall, 1989)

HARDY SHRUB ROSES

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Roses are a class of woody ornamentals distinct from all others, and they are one of the most popular garden plants.

The rose is outstanding as a flowering shrub due to its ability to bloom throughout the growing season. Also contributing to its popularity are the commonly acknowledged traits of the flower - its form, fragrance and significance as a symbol of love. Hybrid Teas, Floribundas, Grandifloras and Miniatures constitute the majority of roses sold. Unfortunately these roses lack winter hardiness, and in many areas of Canada and the United States they require various forms of winter protection to survive.

One need only look at the flower of the Hybrid Tea to understand why it is the most popular and widely grown of the various groups of roses. However, the critical temperature below which the plant will not survive has been determined for most Hybrid Teas to be about -10F under laboratory conditions, but stems have shown injury at +10F. For those of us living in cold climates, we have three options if we wish to grow roses - grow Hybrid Teas as annuals, cover the bushes every fall or grow hardy types of roses.

Many nurseries are experiencing an increase in sales of shrub roses. This is generally because of the perceived increased hardiness and decreased maintenance of shrub roses. However, the category of "shrub" can be somewhat misleading. Botanically all roses are shrubs, and it is somewhat redundant to establish a horticultural class of shrub roses. Furthermore, shrub characteristics are often a function of climate, since many shrub roses could be grown as climbers or bedding roses by appropriate pruning and protection. The shrub category seems to be used as a catch-all for cultivars which do not fit well in other classes.

Within the grouping of shrub roses there are many cultivars available and a variety of growth forms, degrees of hardiness and ranges of flower colours. Rose growers in cold climates should be aware that many roses listed as shrubs may not survive. For example, on the Prairies many of the David Austin roses, some Rugosa Hybrids and some Meidiland cultivars will not survive.

Generally, the shrub category is used to describe plants which are winter hardy for the local area, best used for landscape purposes and generally have relatively low maintenance. A key point to remember is that the public generally perceives "shrub rose" to equate with hardiness. Unfortunately, this is not always true. Some may also equate shrub roses only with the large, June blooming type of rose. Therefore, depending on

your climate, you must determine which of the shrub roses are suitable for your area.

To distinguish among members of such a large group, it is easier to split it into subgroups. Therefore, we will look at the following groups:

I. Hardy Species grown commercially
II. Rugosa Hybrids
III. Hybrid Foetida
IV. Hybrid Spinosissima
V. Explorer Rose Series
VI. Parkland Rose Series
VII. Early Morden Cultivars
VIII. Miscellaneous Hardy Shrubs

SPECIES ROSES

There are not a lot of species grown for the landscape market, due mainly to their large size, suckering habit, single often small flowers and the fact that many have only a single flowering period. Propagation is by seed, cuttings, suckers, budding or grafting.

1. R. rubrifolia

This is the most popular species in the commercial trade. Its popularity is due mainly to the purple tinged foliage, which also has a slight bloom on it. Another name is Rosa glauca in reference to the whitish bloom on the leaves. Plants are open and upright in habit with brown-red branches that have few prickles. Flowers are produced only in June and are small, single and pink with a white basal spot. Fruit is produced in the Fall.

There are very few cultivars or hybrids of this species. 'Carmenetta' was developed by Miss Preston in 1923 at the Ottawa Research Station. It is a hybrid with R. rugosa. This cultivar is still available, although you have to look for it.

2. R. nitida

This species is native to eastern North America. The leaves are its most attractive feature, with long, narrow, glossy leaflets. Autumn colour is outstanding. Hybrids of this species include 'Dart's Defender' (R. nitida x R. rugosa) and 'Metis' (R. nitida x 'Therese Bugnet').

3. R. foliolosa

This species has been growing at Morden for at least ten years. Plants die back to various degrees each winter. The shrub grows as a dense bush with stems that have few prickles. Flowering is sparse and not very showy, with single pink flowers. This plant will never be a show stopper, but can be grown for its attractive foliage and resistance to disease and drought.

4. R. spinosissima var. altaica (R. pimpinellifolia) -Scotch Rose, white Altai

rose

This is a better form to use than the species. Bushes are tall (1.6-2 m, 5-6 feet), dense, prickly plants. The variety Altaica is supposedly less prickly than the species but it is still not a plant to tangle with. Leaves are small. This rose puts on a tremendous display of fragrant white bloom in June. Unfortunately, it does not rebloom. Large, black fruit are formed in the Fall. Native to Siberia, this species is best used in larger landscapes. The plants are very hardy and vigourous. There are many forms and hybrids of Rosa spinosissima.

5. R. x Paulii (R. arvensis x R. rugosa) (also R. rugosa repens or R. rugosa repens rosea)

This is a creeping plant with very prickly stems. Plants have survived well for two winters at Morden, but have not been adequately tested. The stems can grow to 4 m (13 feet). Initially, they may grow upward, but later are flat on the ground until gradually a mound is formed. Flowers are white in the species and pink in the rosea form. Overall, the plant is rather coarse looking but may have a place on slope plantings. Plants are available commercially from a limited number of sources.

6. R. rugosa

The species R. rugosa and its white form R. rugosa alba are well adapted to growing on the plains area of North America. This species was introduced to Europe in 1796 from its native Japan. Although the hybrids are usually grown, the species itself is suitable for use in the landscape due to its hardiness and disease resistance. The bush is usually dense and the leaves are rugose or wrinkled and glossy above. (Ruga means wrinkled in Latin.) They turn yellow in the Fall. Flowers are purplish or white, and the hips are quite attractive and contain a lot of pulp. The only drawback is a tendency to iron induced chlorosis in high pH soils.

ROSA RUGOSA and HYBRIDS

The species R. rugosa and its white form have been used extensively in breeding since the 1880's, beginning in France then later in Germany and finally in the United States. As a result of work carried out with this species, the group of hybrids can be separated into various sections. Hybrids of R. rugosa vary quite widely in their appearance, growth habit, flower characteristics and most importantly, hardiness. They can be divided into different types based on parentage and breeding:

1. R. rugosa, R. rugosa alba

Discussed under the Species section.

2. Rugosa Type

This type resembles R. rugosa more than the other types of rugosa

hybrids. It is distinguished by the foliage and fruit, which is very similar to R. rugosa. Disease resistance is usually good, due to the influence of the R. rugosa parent, although this is not true for every cultivar. Most rugosa types have yellow Fall colour. Flowers are usually large, double, fragrant and white, pink or reddish purple. Many cultivars will repeat bloom. There a large number of hybrids available, many dating back to the 1800's and early 1900's. Some of the more common cultivars include:

'Belle Poitevine' (1894) - rose-pink to magenta-pink, slightly fragrant, semi-double flowers; recurrent bloom; sterile; 1-1.3 m (3-4 ft).

'Blanc Double de Coubert' (1892) - flowers are pure white, large, semi-double and fragrant, flowering June to August; open plant habit; 1.3-2 m (4-6 ft) in USDA Zone 5a; 1.3-1.6 m (4-5 ft) in Canadian Zone 3b.

'Hansa' (1905) - reddish purple, double, fragrant (clove) flowers will fade; originated in Holland; recurrent but main flush in June; produces hips; 1.3 m (4 ft) in Canadian Zone 3b.

'Louis Bugnet' - white flowers; Prairie origin.

'Rose a Parfum de l'Hay' (1901) - deep purple-red flowers; recurrent.

'Sir Thomas Lipton' (1900) - white, double, fragrant flowers which may retain petals; recurrent; winter injury in USDA Zone 5a; 1.6-2 m (5-6 ft).

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'Charles Albanel' (1982) - medium red, double (20 petals), fragrant flowers; 0.5 m (2-2 1/2 ft); retains flowers; repeat bloom.

'David Thompson' (1979) - red, double (25 petals) flowers; recurrent; 1-1.3 m (3-4 ft); dull, medium green foliage.

'Jens Munk' (1975) - medium pink, double (25 petals) flowers; 2 flushes - early, late summer; many prickles and bristles; may retain flowers; hips produced; hardy, shiny leaves; 1.3-2 m (4-6 ft).

'Henry Hudson' (1977) - white with pink hue, double (25 petals), fragrant, unopened bud is pink; recurrent; may retain flowers; hardy; 0.3 m (2-3 ft) - dwarf, grows wider than tall.

'Martin Frobisher' (1969) - light pink, fragrant, very double (40 petals) flowers; repeat bloom; upright bush; 1.6-2 m (5-7 ft).

3. Rugosa Hybrid-Hybrid Perpetual

This group of rugosa hybrids do not resemble R. rugosa as much as the previous group. The rugosa origins can be seen in the larger prickles, leaves and flowers. They are generally strong growing and more vigourous than the ordinary Hybrid Perpetuals. We do not see many of this group grown or available commercially, compared to the first group, probably due to a decreased hardiness level.

'Amelie Gravereaux' (1903) - medium red, fading, fragrant flowers; recurrent; long stems; leathery, dark green foliage.

4. Rugosa Hybrid-Chinensis Type

This group is like R. rugosa in that plants are tall growing and the foliage is slightly rugose. Flowers are in clusters and are produced throughout the season. They are not widely grown.

'Mme. Georges Bruant' (1887) - white

'New Century' (1900) - light pink

5. R. rugosa x R. foetida

Very few cultivars exist in this group.

'Agnes' (1922) - amber-yellow, double, fragrant flowers; non-recurrent; leaves wrinkled; not very vigourous; 1.3-1.8 m (4-6 ft); has survived at Morden in later years, although was grown years ago; won Van Fleet Gold Medal in 1926.

'Grace' (1923) - apricot yellow, double flowers; not available.

'Topaz Jewel' - semi-double, light yellow flowers; recurrent; unknown hardiness.

6. Rugosa Hybrid-Floribunda Type

These are best represented by the Grootendorst Roses. They are characterized by glossy, rugose type leaves, with clusters of small flowers. This group will suffer winter injury in Canadian Zone 3. All are susceptible to blackspot. The growth habit is upright and plants are slightly open.

'F.J. Grootendorst' (1918) - red flowers; June to October; no hips; appears most vigourous of the group; 0.5-1 m (3 ft).

'Grootendorst Supreme' - dark red flowers; sport of 'F.J. Grootendorst'.

'Pink Grootendorst' - sport of 'F.J. Grootendorst' but with fewer flowers; medium pink flowers.

'White Grootendorst' - sport of 'Pink Grootendorst'; weaker growing than other cultivars.

7. Rugosa Hybrid - Climbing Type

Rosa Paulii was discussed under Species. The Kordessii group is related to Rosa rugosa but is usually treated as a separate group.

'Max Graf' (1919) (R. rugosa x R. wichuraiana) This plant has trailing stems. Flowers are single, bright pink and are only produced in June. Leaves are glossy and similar to R. rugosa. This plant gave rise to the new species R. kordessii which has been used extensively in breeding.

8. Rugosa Hybrid-Skinners Hybrids

The early Canadian Prairie breeders combined R. rugosa with both native roses and more tender types. A number of the cultivars produced are still grown in the trade today.

'Wasagaming' (1939) - pink, double, fragrant flowers; recurrent; suggestive of cabbage rose form; 1-1.6 m (3-5 ft); spreading in habit.

'Will Alderman' (1954) - pink, double, fragrant flowers; intermittent through the season - blooms on new wood; 1.3 m (4 ft).

R. FOETIDA - SPECIES and HYBRIDS

The most commonly grown yellow flowered roses are in this group: 'Austrian Briar', 'Persian Yellow', 'Austrian Copper' and 'Harison's Yellow'. There is a lack of hardy yellow roses. They are difficult to breed, as the main source of yellow in the genus has been Rosa foetida. Unfortunately, a susceptibility to blackspot was carried along with the yellow colour.

R. foetida, the Yellow Rose of Asia is mentioned by Arabic writers from the 12th Century although it was not botanically described until 1586. It is usually called 'Austrian Briar'. Plants can grow to 3 m (10 ft) in native sites, although they are shorter in cultivation. Yellow flowers are produced in profusion in June. Some people find the scent disagreeable.

'Persian Yellow' and 'Austrian Copper' are botanical forms of the species, although they usually are not included with species roses in catalogues.

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R. foetida persiana- **'Persian Yellow'** (1837) - most common of the foetida group; double, golden-yellow flowers; brighter yellow flowers than 'Harison's Yellow'.

R. foetida bicolor- **'Austrian Copper'** - single flowers, yellow outside, orange-scarlet inside; 2 m (6 ft), most often 1.3-1.6 m (4-5 ft); hybrid or arose as bud mutation before 1590; may revert to yellow flowers; yellow and orange roses have been developed from this variety; June bloom only; generally hardy, although it is weakened by blackspot and may suffer winter damage.

'Harison's Yellow'- R. x harisonii (1830) - thought to be 'Persian Yellow' x R. spinosissima; semi-double, bright yellow, fragrant flowers; developed by G.F. Harison in New York; it achieved such popularity in Texas it became the "Yellow Rose of Texas"; commonly available; June bloom; 2 m (6 ft); more compact than 'Persian Yellow'.

'Hazeldean'- R. spinosissima x 'Persian Yellow' - developed by Percy Wright of Saskatchewan; virtually unknown; flowers are yellow, fragrant, larger than 'Persian Yellow'; hard to find commercially due to difficulties in propagation; superior to 'Harison's Yellow' and 'Persian Yellow'; very hardy; very high resistance to blackspot; June bloom only, very floriferous; large bush, vigourous, 2-2.3 m (6-8 ft).

HYBRID SPINOSISSIMA

'Hazeldean' and 'Harison's Yellow' - Hybrids of this species with R. foetida have been mentioned, as has the variety Altaica. This species was widely used in breeding by Kordes in Germany. He developed the Fruhlings Series using the Hybrid Tea 'Joanna Hill'.

'Fruhlingsmorgen' - red-pink flowers; June bloom only; tall, vigourous.

'Fruhlingsgold' - pale yellow, single or semi-double large flowers; June bloom but may flower later.

'Kakwa' - selected from open pollinated R. spinosissima hispida; more spreading than the species; very winter hardy; cream, semi-double, fragrant flowers; very floriferous; June bloom only; introduced by Agriculture Canada Beaverlodge Station; not widely grown.

'Haidee' (1953) - R. laxa x R. spinosissima - example of the work

of Dr. F.L. Skinner; one of his many introductions, most are no longer available; non recurrent; double pink flowers; reddish stems; 1.6 m (5 ft); dark red fruit; small foliage like spinosissima; Greek for Beautiful One.

'Stanwell Perpetual' (1838) - R. damascena x R. spinosissima - light pink, fragrant, very double flowers; main flush and then somewhat recurrent; small foliage.

EXPLORER ROSE SERIES

The Explorer Rose Series is a group of roses developed at the Ottawa Research Station by Dr. Svejda. When she retired, the programme was transferred to the L'Assomption Research Station under Dr. Ian Ogilvie. The cultivars are named for early Canadian explorers.

When Dr. Svejda began her breeding programme, she focused on Rosa rugosa. Therefore, the earlier cultivar introductions were all R. rugosa hybrids (described with the Rugosa Hybrids Group). She later incorporated the cultivar 'Suzanne' into her programme, bringing with it hardiness from R. laxa and R. spinosissima. The climbing and open plant habit, and the shiny foliage of the more recent cultivars have their origin in R. kordessii, 'Max Graf' and 'New Dawn'.

Overall, the group is quite hardy. Blackspot resistance is good for most cultivars and moderate for 'Champlain' and 'John Franklin'. Some cultivars are very floriferous. The flowers are borne singly and in clusters. Propagation is by softwood stem cuttings and plants should be grown on their own roots.

The easiest way to remember the whole group is to divide them into rugosa hybrids, low bush types, pillars and climbers. We have already mentioned the rugosa hybrids.

The bush types are:

'Alexander MacKenzie' (1985) - not widely grown in the West but proving to be a very attractive bush. Grows to 1-1.6 m (3-5 ft) and has large semi-glossy leaves. Flowers are fairly large, quite double (40-50 petals) and red in colour. Flowering is not as prolific as some of the other cultivars, but is acceptable.

'John Franklin' - has performed well for at least 8 years in Morden. Plants have suffered stem dieback but never died completely as has 'Champlain'. Height 0.6-1 m (2-3 ft). The red, semi-double to double flowers (25 petals) are average size and have distinctive, slightly indented or fringed ends. Some blackspot may develop later in the season.

'Champlain' - closest in growth habit to a Floribunda; 0.5-0.8 m (2-

3 ft); least hardy of the group; outstanding characteristics are floriferousness and bright red colour; semi-double to double flowers (30 petals), slightly fragrant; blackspot resistance is moderate, occasionally causes considerable leaf drop on basal portions of the stems. A showier plant than 'John Franklin', with more attractive shiny leaves.

'J.P. Connell' - we do not have a lot of data on this rose; survived two years but with considerable dieback; flowers look light yellow overall - the base and inner petals are medium yellow, outer petals and upper parts are cream-white, double (30-70 petals), strong fragrance; 1-1.6 m (3-4 1/2 ft); thornless; some winter injury in Ottawa (Zone 5a Canadian); bloom period - two peaks, sparse flowering in between.

The pillar and climbing types are best grown over a trellis, against a fence or trained up a wall. As with other climbers, these roses must be supported up a structure by ties or wires.

The amount of die-back and the plant height varies in different climates. In Ottawa (Zone 5a) these cultivars look like true hardy climbing roses. However in Morden, they are large, open bushes. Generally, those classified as pillar roses are not as tall as the climbers. Some of these varieties are:

'Captain Samuel Holland' - A new pillar rose from L'Assomption. Plants at Morden are small, so we cannot yet report on hardiness; but looking at its parentage, plants should have good winter survival. Height 1.6 m (5 ft) at L'Assomption; flowers for 12 weeks, June-September; medium red, 2 3/4", double (23 petals) flowers.

'Henry Kelsey' - height 1.6-2 m (5-6 ft); climbing or pillar; double (30 petals), fragrant, bright red flowers; plants performed well at Morden, but in the more severe climate of Indian Head winter stem die-back is often 50 - 80% and flowering has been fair to moderate.

'John Cabot' - Silver Medal of the Royal National Rose Society in 1985; pillar 1.6-2 m (5-6 ft); shorter in more severe climates; red, double (40 petals) flowers, 6-7 weeks, June-July, then sporadically in August-September; branches grow up then arch out; good resistance to blackspot; overall plants are not as attractive or as floriferous as 'Henry Kelsey', 'John Davis' or 'William Baffin'.

'John Davis' - pillar 1.6-2 m (5-6 ft); medium pink, very fragrant, double (40 petals) flowers; floriferous; foliage shiny; at Indian Head

plants are hardier than 'John Cabot'.

'Louis Jouillet' - new introduction; pillar or climber - trailing growth habit to 1.6 m (5-6 ft); recurrent flowering - 14 weeks - June to September; medium pink, double (38 petals) flowers; leaves shiny; not yet tested at Morden; high resistance to blackspot at Ottawa.

'William Baffin' - tallest growing of the group, as tested in Morden: 2-2.3 m (6-7 ft); branches arching; fragrant, deep pink, semi-double (20 petals) flowers, borne in large clusters; floriferous, recurrent; good resistance to blackspot; plants are very hardy - at Morden and Indian Head, annual die-back has been minimal except in 1989/90.

PARKLAND ROSE SERIES

The rose breeding programme at Morden is an established long-term programme and has resulted in 16 cultivars being introduced from 1946 until the present day. Two new cultivars were registered in 1990. The early programme during the 1940's and 1950's developed large hardy shrubs such as 'Prairie Youth'.

The Parkland Rose Series is a collective name for the rose cultivars developed during the past 20 years. Rosa arkansana was used as a base for the hardiness of the series. It is a low growing species native to the Prairies and can be found along roadsides, in ditches and even as a weed in farmers' fields. The fact that R. arkansana is a tetraploid played a large part in choosing it as a parent because most tender Hybrid Teas are also tetraploids.

The Parkland Roses are propagated by softwood stem cuttings and grown on their own roots. This eliminates any suckering problems which are common with budded or grafted roses grown in cold climates. Selection for this trait has been emphasized in the breeding programme.

Cultivars of this series normally have seven leaflets, like their native and Prairie ancestor. First generation hybrids are very susceptible to rust, as is R. arkansana. However, resistance can be increased in subsequent generations by crossing to resistant parents. Hybrid Teas, Grandifloras, Floribundas and Miniatures have been used as a source of flower quality and the everblooming characteristic.

Plants of R. arkansana bloom on both current season and older wood. This growth habit is inherited by the progeny so flowering begins in early summer and continues until frost. The hybrids vary in the length of production of flowers.

Although the Parkland Roses survive winters well in Canadian Zone 3, varying amounts of die-back may occur depending on climatic conditions. This growth characteristic actually results in a smaller plant habit. Attractive bushes with an abundance of flowers will develop during one growing season even if the plants have died to near ground level during the winter. Some plants may be killed outright in very severe winters.

The Parkland Rose Series presently includes ten different cultivars. These roses do not fit into existing categories and are best described as intermediate between shrub and Floribunda types. They can be grown as specimen plants or in mass plantings. Flower quality and quantity are similar to that of Floribundas, and flowers are either red, pink, ivory or scarlet. The cultivars are:

'Assiniboine' (1962) - (Donald Prior x R. arkansana) - named for a Prairie Indian tribe; 1 m (3-4 ft); purplish-red flowers with an open, yellow centre, approximately 10 petals; flowers borne singly or in clusters; heavy flower production in July and then occasionally through the summer; susceptible to rust; hardiest of the Parkland Roses.

'Adelaide Hoodless' (1973) - [Fire King x (R. arkansana J.W. Fargo x Assiniboine)] - named after the founder of the Women's Institute on its 75th anniversary; 0.6-1.3 m (2-4 ft), can be tied up; medium green, glossy foliage; ruby red, semi-double flowers; many flowers in clusters, have counted 122 buds on one stem; blooms profusely in June and then sporadically throughout the rest of the summer; remove old flowers to promote reflowering.

'Cuthbert Grant' (1967) - {[Crimson Glory x (Donald Prior x R. arkansana)] x Assiniboine} - named for a fur trader who worked in what later became Manitoba; Manitoba's Centennial Rose, Award of Merit - WCSH; 0.6-1.3 m (2-4 ft); dark, velvety red, large semi-double flowers (15 petals); clusters of 3-6 flowers; flowers are produced in late June-early July and again in late summer; very resistant to blackspot.

'Morden Amorette' (1977) - {[Independence x (Donald Prior x R. arkansana)] x [Fire King x (R. arkansana J.W. Fargo x Assiniboine)]} - 0.6 m (2ft); dark pink to light red, semi-double flowers; blooms throughout the growing season; remove old flowers to promote reblooming; moderate resistance to rust and mildew, but susceptible to blackspot; stems may be killed to snowline but regrowth occurs in the Spring and flowers develop on current season's growth.

'Morden Blush' (1988) - {(Prairie Princess x Morden Amorette) x [Prairie Princess x (White Bouquet x (R. arkansana x Assiniboine))]} - 0.3-1 m (2 1/2-3 ft); flowers are usually ivory with a pink blush in the centre; colour more intense in cool weather; when fully open, flowers appear flat with the inner petals folded in to form a button type centre in some flowers, double, 1-5 flowers

in clusters; flower buds are very attractive and suitable for corsages; flowers are produced from mid-June to first frost; very tolerant of hot, dry conditions; good resistance to mildew and rust; fair resistance to blackspot.

'Morden Cardinette' (1979) - {[Prairie Princess x (White Bouquet x (R. arkansana x Assiniboine))] x [Adelaide Hoodless x (Independence x (Donald Prior x R. arkansana))]} - 0.3 m (2-2 1/2 ft); double, cardinal red flowers, singly or in clusters; resistant to rust but only moderately resistant to blackspot; stems may die-back to snowline but flowers develop on new basal canes; can be grown as a potted plant that can be planted in the garden.

'Morden Centennial' (1980)- {Prairie Princess x [White Bouquet x (R. arkansana x Assiniboine)]} - named for the centennial celebration of the town of Morden, Manitoba; 1 m (3-4 ft); glossy, green leaves; lightly scented, medium pink flowers, singly or in clusters; heaviest flush in late June to July and again in late August to September; remove old flowers to promote reflowering; moderate to good resistance to blackspot.

'Morden Fireglow' (1989) - Seedling x Morden Cardinette - novel colour in hardy roses - scarlet red; 0.3 m (2 1/2 ft); double flowers, mainly in June, then intermittently until frost, slight fragrance; moderate resistance to blackspot; grows well as a potted flowering plant.

'Morden Ruby' (1977) - [Fire King x (R. arkansana J.W. Fargo x Assiniboine)] - 1 m (3-4 ft); ruby-red double flowers, singly or in clusters; most blooms are in July and September; good resistance to mildew, rust and blackspot; sport of spotted rose - may revert from solid red to speckled red-pink; sister of 'Adelaide Hoodless'.

'Winnipeg Parks' (1990) - named for Winnipeg Parks and Recreation Department's 100 Anniversary in 1993; medium-red, semi-double to double, fades to red-pink; bush habit similar to a Floribunda; foliage dark green, reddish tinge in cool weather; remove hips to promote reflowering; very high success of rooting from cuttings.

'Prairie Joy' (1990) - medium pink, double flowers; not as tall as the Parkland Roses and does not repeat as well; very high resistance to mildew, rust and blackspot; foliage attractive, plant dense, good for hedge; mid-season growth - stems may extend out from main bush; flowers: main flush in June, then only a few during

rest of season; very high success of rooting.

OLDER MORDEN CULTIVARS

The early breeding programme during the 1940's and 1950's resulted in the introduction of eight cultivars. Some of these are no longer available in the trade and have been lost along the way. 'Prairie Youth', 'Prairie Dawn' and 'Metis' are still sold commercially. 'Prairie Maid' is growing at Morden. These older cultivars are:

'Metis' (1967) - (R. nitida x Therese Bugnet) - dense bush to 1 m (3-3 1/2 ft); brownish red bark; flowers: double, pink, 1 main flush; fruit produced; unique in that it is a hybrid of R. nitida, a species native to north east North America; leaves small, glossy, green and turn red in the Fall.

'Prairie Dawn' (1959) - upright habit; 1.6-2 m (5-6 ft); pink, double flowers; 1 main flush of flowers, then few rest of season. Blooms on current seasons' wood.

'Prairie Maid' (1959) - roundish bush habit, 1.3 m (4 ft); creamy-white, fragrant, double flowers; 1 main flush of bloom, then few flowers rest of season.

'Prairie Youth' - upright habit, 2-2.3 m (6-8 ft); double, salmon-pink flowers; 1 main flush, then intermittently.

MISCELLANEOUS HARDY ROSES

There are quite a number of hardy roses which do not fit easily into the groups already discussed. Most, but not all are not widely available. My main objective is to give you an idea of different shrub roses which are in various collections and could be made available. A few like 'The Fairy', 'Nearly Wild', 'Therese Bugnet' and 'Country Dancer' are included to show the range of types available.

'Alika' (R. gallica grandiflora) - selected by Prof. Hansen in Russia - 1906, where it was labelled R. gallica grandiflora; showy light red flowers, semi-double; dark foliage; may not be as hardy as some of the other large shrubs; 1.6-2 m (5-6 ft).

'Ames Climber' - R. multiflora x R. blanda - Ames, Iowa; introduced as rootstock; thornless; kills back every winter at Morden but very vigourous regrowth with long, arching branches; small white flowers - like a multiflora, non-recurrent; hardier and more vigourous than R. multiflora.

'Augusta' - bred by Percy Wright; good August bloom; medium pink flowers.

'Betty Bland' - hybrid of R. laxa - bred by Dr. Skinner; 1.6-2 m (5-6 ft); double pink flowers, floriferous, non-recurrent; reddish branches; suckers.

'Captain Hayward' - Hybrid Perpetual; recommended by rose growers over other H.P.s for winter survival; light red.

'Country Dancer' - included to represent the roses developed by Dr. Griffith Buck in Ames, Iowa. Generally, this group are hardier than Hybrid Teas, but not sufficiently hardy for the Canadian Prairies. They last 1-3 years, then die. 'Prairie Princess' is the only cultivar to overwinter consistently at Morden for at least 8 years.

'Dornroschen' - closest to hardy Floribunda tested at Morden; has survived 4 years; red double flowers; recurrent; 0.3 m (2 ft); susceptible to powdery mildew.

'Dr. Merkeley' - Dr. Merkeley of Winnipeg brought this rose from Siberia years ago; apparently related to Cinnamon Rose; deep pink flowers, fragrant; non-recurrent; 0.3 m (2-3 ft); dwarf type.

'Isabella Skinner' - R. laxa cross - bred by Dr. F.L. Skinner; light pink flowers; susceptible to blackspot; recurrent bloom.

'Lac Majeau' - bred by Georges Bugnet.

'Louis Bugnet' - R. rugosa hybrid - white flowers.

'Marie Bugnet' (1963) - bred by Georges Bugnet; has 'Therese Bugnet' and 'F.J. Grootendorst' in parentage; double, white, fragrant flowers; recurrent; bushy habit.

'Mrs. John Laing' (1887) - this is included to represent the Hybrid Perpetuals. They are hardier than HTs but not reliable for the Prairies. Plants tend to be taller and more vigourous than HTs; plants will survive if protected; recurrent; double pink flowers.

'Nearly Wild' (1941) - bred by Brownell; single pink flowers; fairly good hardiness; good vigour; low bush, ground cover.

'Pink Masquerade' - bred by Prairie breeder; very vigourous open bush; hardy; double pink flowers; does not repeat well; comparable

to 'William Baffin' in height.

'Prairie Princess' (1972) - bred by Buck; vigourous, hardy, very open growth habit; best survival of this group; high disease resistance; semi-double pink, fragrant flowers; dark leathery foliage.

'Ross Rambler' - found by N. Ross, Superintendent of Indian Head Station; 2.3-2.8 m (7-9 ft); white single flowers, somewhat recurrent.

'Scarlet Ranger' - bred by Percy Wright; not in trade; large bush to 2-2.3 m (6-7 ft); open habit, long arching canes; red semi-double flowers; hardy.

'Tetonkaha' (1912) - R. macounii x a rugosa hybrid - bred by Hansen; deep pink, semi-double, non recurrent; to 2 m (6 ft).

'The Fairy' - Polyantha (1941) - dwarf double pink, June-September; large clusters of small flowers; kills back; foliage glossy; spreading; recurrent; has survived 5 years at Morden, but snow cover has helped.

'Therese Bugnet' (1950) - {[(R. acicularis x R. rugosa kamtchatika) x (R. amblyotis x R. rugosa plena)] x Betty Bland} - Georges Bugnet of Alberta, introduced by Percy Wright; 1.6-2.3 m (5-7 ft); dark red stems, few prickles on new growth; pink flowers, slight fragrance, darker than 'Betty Bland'; grown widely on the Prairies; a few flowers all season; does not sucker a lot.

These are some of the shrub roses which have proven hardy at Morden and which, depending on your climatic conditions, you might consider trying.

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NOTE: Abbreviations used for Awards:
AARS - All-America Rose Selection
OGR - Old Garden Rose
AoE - Award of Excellence (minis)
PIT - President's
GM - Gold Medal
International Trophy
int - introduced into commerce
ROTY - Rose of the Year
NZ - New Zealand

ABBREVIATIONS USED

plant - pl year - yr
height (feet) - ' height (inches) - "
hybrid tea - HT grandiflora - Gr
floribunda - F shrub rose - S
large flowered climber - LCl miniature - Min

COLOUR CLASSIFICATIONS

When known, both the Canadian Rose Society and American Rose Society colour classifications are given, using the abbreviations shown below.

	C.R.S.	A.R.S.
White & near white	W	
White, near white & white blend		w
Light yellow	-	ly
Medium yellow	MY	my
Deep yellow	DY	dy
Yellow blend	YB	yb
Apricot blend	AB	-
Apricot & apricot blend	-	ab
Orange & orange blend	OB	ob
Orange pink	-	o-p
Orange-red	OR	o-r
Light pink	LP	lp
Medium pink	MP	mp
Deep pink	DP	dp
Pink blend	PB	pb
Medium red	MR	mr
Dark red	DR	dr
Red Blend	RB	rb
Mauve	M	-
Mauve blend	MB	-
Mauve & Mauve blend	-	m
Russet	R	r

If we have a good colour description from a Rose book, magazine, or catalogue, this is included after the colour classification. We also include petal count, when known.

NOTE: The comment "No reports" indicates the variety was reported in previous years but no reports were received this year. A rose is reported for 7 years, plus the current year. 7 years after the year of introduction, we say "Last year for reporting this rose".

ABBEYFIELD ROSE, HT (Cocker '83 int '85) (National Trust x Silver Jubilee). DP (dp), deep rosy pink, 35 petals. Flood (4 pls 6 yrs 2.5' ON): Small exhibition type, short stems, very clear colour, non fading. Did not have bloom performance this year, rather stingy. Short growth habit, excellent red foliage, healthy and hardy. Langlois (2 pls 2 yrs 3' BC): Small, well formed, showy bloom, excellent high centred form, good substance, in sprays and clusters. Repeats well, a very attractive bedder. Bushy grower, very dense foliage, no disease.

AGNES BERNAUER, HT (Kordes int '89 NR) (Die Welt x Rainy Day). (lp). Cochran (2 pls 2 yrs 4.5' CA): Warm light pink, blended medium pink suffused lightly over petals. Large full petalled blooms open slowly with semi reflexing form, exhibition quality, good substance, borne singly and in small sprays. Upright branching growth habit, glossy foliage, red margins. No disease so far.

AGNES WINCHEL, HT (Winchel '89 int '90) (Dorothy Anne x unnamed seedling). (pb), white with pink edge. Cochran (2 pls 1 yr 3' CA): Long buds, creamy white blooms edged with rich light raspberry tone, high centred exhibition form, great substance, borne singly and in small sprays on long stems. Plants exquisite in all respects except vigour this summer, need another year but worth it. Foliage a little thin; used 1 tsp wilt pruf to 1 gal water in regular spray programme. Pinch basal canes for stronger blooms on longer stems. Upright grower, no disease so far. Duskin (1 pl 1 yr 3' OR): Pink blend with magenta edge. Classic high centred full exhibition bloom, a little long between flushes but worth the wait. Outstanding rose here, 'sleeper' of the year but only one nursery introducing it so far. Fairly vigourous grower, dark green foliage, reports of mosaic from some growers but mine are clean.

ALMONDEEN, HT (Christensen '82 int '84) (Angel Face x First Prize). PB (pb), almond and pink blend, 40+ petals. No reports. (Last year for reporting this rose).

AMALIA, HT (Meilland int '86 NR) [{(Queen Elizabeth x Karl Herbst) x Papa Meilland} x (Tamango x Suspense)]. (mr), 35-40 petals. Heaslip (1 pl 1 yr 6' BC): Large medium red bloom, exhibition form, heavy substance, quick repeat. Vigourous grower, dark green foliage, no disease. Langlois (3 pls 2 yrs 4.5' BC): Double bloom opens slowly, very good substance, some fragrance, prolific bloomer. Good garden variety. Very disease resistant. Smallenberg (1 pl 1 yr 4' BC): Very pleasing colour, scarlet with shimmery red reverse. Lovely long lasting blooms on sturdy stems, a few confused centres in late Fall, decorative form, all singles, rain tolerant, lots of bloom.

Very happy with this rose. Vigourous upright slightly branching growth habit, semi glossy foliage, no disease, survived Vancouver's '90 winter.

AMERICAN SPIRIT, HT (Warriner '87) (Unnamed seedling x American Pride). MR (mr), bright red, 40-50 petals, ROTY '88. Flood (3 pls 2 yrs 4' ON): Medium sized exhibition blooms, great substance, long lasting as cut flower. Shows a lot of vigour. Shewchuk (1 pl 4 yrs 3' AB): 5"+ bloom, exhibition form, good substance, very fragrant but stingy with bloom. Upright neat growth habit, large dark glossy foliage, no disease, hardy with proper protection.

AUDREY HEPBURN, HT (Twomey '91 int '92) (Evening Star x unnamed seedling). (lp), blush pink, 30-32 petals. Andrich (1 pl 1 yr 20" MB): 5" bloom, good substance, sparse bloom, slow repeat, fragrant. Pretty rose but a bit disappointing, hope it takes off next year. An improvement over 'Joan's Desire'. Bushy grower, glossy dark green foliage, no disease. Beattie (1 pl 1 yr 20" MB): 5" bloom, urn shape bud, excellent substance, repeats well with lots of bloom. Foliage on Twomey roses is exceptional, attractive in its own right. Used blooms for floral design competition - I love it. No disease. Schneider (1 pl 1 yr 3' MB): Large blooms, good substance, nice fragrance, slow repeat, sparse bloom. Nice rose but not my favourite, hope for improvement next year. Advertised as an improved version of 'Joan's Desire'. No disease.

BARKAROLE (GRAND CHATEAU), HT (Tantau int '88 NR). (dr), very deep velvety red, 36 petals. Brown (2 pls 2 yrs 4.5' BC): Black buds open in wink of an eye to velvet dark red blooms, decorative form, good substance. One of the best for growth, hardiness and foliage. Too bad it doesn't have more petals and hold longer. Very tall grower, excellent foliage, no disease. Heaslip (2 pls 1 yr 5' BC): 5" bloom, very dark red, almost black. Frilled form much like 'Just Joey', very heavy substance. Vigourous grower, stems and young foliage most attractive mahogany colour, mature foliage leathery green. Will mildew without spray programme. Williams (1 pl 1 yr 4.5' BC): Average size exhibition form bloom, good substance, long stems good for cutting, very fragrant, a nice rose. Seemed to get very tall but a lot of my roses were this year - the weather? Lots of basal shoots, did ball in wet weather. Seems disease resistant.

BERYL BACH, HT (Harkness '85) (Sunsprite x Silver Jubilee). YB (yb), yellow blended pink, 40 petals. Baillie (1 pl 1 yr 30" ON): High bud opens to rather uninteresting bloom, flattish form, good substance. Consistent and hardy but not exciting, a rather average bloom. Good foliage, no disease. Dyck (1 pl 1 yr 3' BC): Small flowers never open up but lots of them, unattractive form. Disappointed - will give it one more year because catalogues have a different opinion. Very bushy grower, sickish looking, fairly

healthy foliage, tender. Flood (4 pls 6 yrs 4.5' ON): Large exhibition type, produces many long stemmed blooms in Spring, get smaller and stems get shorter as season progresses. Some confused centres but good blooms make up for it, good substance. Colour changes from bloom to bloom, has old fashioned garden rose look. I like it very much but has not given me the show specimens I anticipated. Very healthy light green foliage, very hardy. Stanton (1 pl 2 yrs 30-36" ON): Rather pale yellow blend but pretty. Fat bud, double, exhibition form bloom, good substance. A nice rose but I keep hoping for better things. Slender bush, large ample foliage, seems disease resistant, hardiness good. Stedman (1 pl 1 yr 2' PE): The 'Autumn Checklist of Horizon Roses' says "vigourous garden variety offers OGR bloom form, might be better classified as a shrub". Haven't seen too much vigour on my first year Hortico plant but had a few blooms of average HT size, fair form. White blooms of 70+ petals open to yellowish centres with OGR form. Not impressed so far.

BIG DUKE (DUKE WAYNE), HT (Weddle '91 int '87). (dp). No reports.

BLUE RIBBON, HT (Christensen '84 int '86) [(Angel Face x First Prize) x Blue Nile]. M (m), lavender, 35 petals. No reports.

BLUE RIVER, HT (Kordes '84) (Blue Moon x Zorina). MB (m), lilac shaded deeper at petal edges, 35 petals. Langlois (6 pls 4 yrs 3' BC): Bloom is large, opens in a unique way, flat and circular. Wonderfully fragrant rose that changes as it opens, good substance. One of the better mauves. Good growth habit, average foliage, no disease. Stanton (1 pl 2 yrs 3' ON): Less red than 'Paradise'. Flat bud, decorative bloom, very fluffy, like an OGR. Very fragrant, pretty for a blue rose. Good basal breaks, shiny foliage, some blackspot, hardiness good. Yeomans (1 pl 3 yrs 3' BC): Mauve with pink edge. Smallish blooms on a straggling plant, blackspots. OUT. (Last year for reporting this rose).

BLUE WONDER, HT (Kordes int '84 NR). MR (mr). Stanton (1 pl 4 yrs 30" ON): Long bud, double bloom, exhibition form, good substance, quite floriferous. Recovers very well from stress. Short growth habit, good foliage, some blackspot, hardiness very good. (Last year for reporting this rose).

BRIDE'S DREAM (MARCHENKONIGIN)(FAIRY TALE QUEEN), HT (Kordes '85 int '86) (Royal Highness x seedling). LP (lp), very pale pink/light gold at base, 32 petals. Baillie (1 pl 1 yr 30" ON): Good exhibition form with high centres, excellent substance. This rose was a big surprise, one of the best pink roses I've seen for some time. Upright grower, good dark green foliage, disease resistant. Brown (1 pl 2 yrs 3.5' BC): A1 exhibition form, great substance - a winner. Something like 'Royal Highness' only better and with greater substance. Medium bushy growth habit, no disease. Chambers

(1 pl 2 yrs 4' NS): Pearl rose pink, deeper tones in the Fall. Pointed buds unfold into perfectly formed high centred blooms that hold well, strong substance. Slow in showing new growth after winter dormant period - perhaps the N.S. climate or location in my garden. Blooms are exquisite but rather sparse. Slender erect grower, no disease, hardy with good winter protection. Laidlaw (1 pl 1 yr ON): Colour in June and September is 'greyed' pale pink but very lovely delicate pink in July and August heat. In singles and clusters, good repeat, lasts well cut. No disease. Pearson (1 pl 1 yr 3' BC): Gorgeous pale pink, just like blushing bride - wow! We love it! Exhibition potential, good substance, only 3' high but this was maiden season. Another Kordes winner, how come no one told us sooner? Disease resistance as good as most. Pelham (1 pl 1 yr NS): Very pretty dainty lacy pink, form, substance, foliage and growth habit OK, no disease so far. Pruned and cut back for winter mounding so don't know natural height. Will wait another year to evaluate, winter was mild. Raven (1 pl 2 yrs 2.75' AB): Large decorative form bloom, not many of them and every bloom balled, poor substance, paper thin petals. Sorry but this will be its last year, can't see why it's so highly rated.

BRIGADOON, HT (Warriner '91) (Unnamed seedling x Pristine). (pb), coral pink and cream bicolour, 25-30 petals, AARS '92. Cochran (2 pls 2 yrs 5.5-6' CA): Rich coral pink suffused around petal edges, turning lighter creamy coral. Can be exhibition form, long strong stems, good substance, fragrant. Blooms almost cover plant. Must be planted in back of rose beds, mine now seven feet tall. Enjoy its beauty. No disease so far. Duskin (3 pls 1 yr 5' OR): Coral pink and cream bi-colour. Large bloom, high centred form, often exhibition. Usually borne singly needs very little disbudding, fairly continuous bloom, good substance, good cut flower that lasts well if cut tight. Good vigour and health will make this a best seller.

BRINESSA, HT (Delforge int '85 NR). (pb), mottled pink blend/lighter inside/ darker reverse, 25 petals. Cochran (2 pls 3 yrs 4' CA): Unusual colour, pale pink petals with shrimp-pink edges and reverse. Notched blooms, decorative form, good heavy texture. Great garden colour, can be show blooms on long strong stems (where there is no fog). A real beauty in arrangements, will keep it. Upright branching growth habit, matte medium green foliage, slight mildew.

BROADWAY, HT (Anthony Perry '85) [(First Prize x Goldglow) x Sutter's Gold]. YB (yb), golden yellow/tipped pink, 35 petals, AARS '86. Cadsby (1 pl 2 yrs 5'+ ON): A blooming fool, many petals, decorative form, colourful, fair substance. A great HT for back of bed - I have it in front! Very upright grower, red foliage when young, some blackspot, hardiness good. Decker (1 pl 5 yrs 4.5' AK): Bright colour, decorative form with some confused centres and some high centres, fair substance. Not rain resistant, floriferous but on

a disease prone plant. Mildews badly. Kopecky (4 pls 5 yrs 3.5' NE): Tolerates rough treatment; transplanted last Fall, severe winter, hot summer but still supplied ample blooms all season long, good substance. Just a good garden rose getting better with age. Some blackspot, hardiness excellent. Langlois (6 pls 5 yrs 5' BC): Very double bloom, excellent high centred form, excellent substance, very fragrant, prolific, excellent repeat bloom. One of the best blends, always puts on a superb show of blooms in September. Strong grower, leathery foliage, no disease. Raven (1 pl 4 yrs 2' AB): Very large bloom, decorative form, good substance, nice colour. Could have more blooms and could last longer. Shiny green foliage, no disease, winter protection needed. Shewchuk (1 pl 5 yrs 2.5' AB): 4-5" bloom, exhibition form, good substance, colour fades in sun, spots badly in rain, bloom repeat not good. Dark leathery foliage, no disease. Hardy with good winter protection. Discarded this year.

CANDELLA, HT (McGredy '90) (Howard Morrison x Esmerelda). (rb), 30-40 petals. Cochran (2 pls 1 yr 4.5-5', CA): Rich brilliant red like 'Mrs. Miniver', ivory reverse with faint pinkish-red veining. Beautiful high centred blooms with slightly notched petals, excellent substance, long strong stems. Many blooms, singly and in small sprays, lightly fragrant. Vigourous plants, glossy red foliage in Spring, turns dark green. Disease resistant. Heaslip (1 pl 1 yr 3.5' BC): Colour is unusual, glowing velvety scarlet, white at base, silver white reverse. Petal edges look like they have been touched with a paint brush dipped in rosy pink. Good form but not tight centres, 40 petals in early summer, 30 in October, very heavy substance, fragrant. Neat compact grower, no disease.

CARAMELLA, HT (Meilland int '86 NR). AB (ab). No reports.

CAROLINA MOON, HT (Bridges '89) (Just Lucky x Thriller). (my). Duskin (1 pl 2 yrs 3.5' OR): Pale yellow, perfect high centred exhibition shape but only medium size, excellent substance, steady production, great cut rose! Bridges' roses are grown on own roots, so may take a little longer to establish. This one is good, like a smaller, better shaped 'Elina'. Vigourous grower, dark green foliage, no disease, hardiness excellent.

CARY GRANT, HT (Meilland '87) [(Pharaoh x Konigin der Rosen) x {(Zambra x Suspense) x King's Ransom}]. OB (ob), golden orange/tangerine. Lacroix (1 pl 4 yrs 2.5' QC): Huge blooms with good form but occasional split centres, excellent substance, wonderful fragrance, not very productive. Good stiff stems, very thorny. Spreading growth habit, good foliage, no disease, hardiness excellent.

CELEBRITY, HT (Weeks '88 int '89) [(Sunbonnet x Mister Lincoln) x Yello Yo Yo]. (dy), dark golden yellow, 30-40 petals. Archibald (1 pl 1 yr 2' SK):

Mid to small size double bloom, decorative form, good substance, performed very well, producing lots of bloom. Short bush, some blackspot. Brown (2 pls 1 yr 2.5' BC): Decorative form so far, ovoid shape, good substance. Growth habit weak, no disease. Not impressed so far - will try one more year. Heaslip (1 pl 1 yr 3' BC): Very large, full petalled bloom, rather loose form, good substance. Short sparse growth habit; my plant sends out sucker growth very frequently. Shiny medium green foliage, no disease.

CHABLIS, HT (Weeks '83 int '84) (Seedling x Louisiana). W (w), creamy white, 40+ petals. No reports. (Last year for reporting this rose).

CHARLOTTE RAMPLING, HT (Meilland int '88 NR). (mr) Bengal pink with velvet glints, 75-85 petals, Monza GM '87. Langlois (1 pl 1 yr 3' BC): Unusual fuchsia red colour, unique in roses. Form high centred, heavy substance, profuse bloomer, frequent repeat. Very effective cut flower. Vigourous growth, dense foliage, no disease.

COCdana (FULTON MACKAY) (MARIBEL), HT (Cocker '88 int '89) (Silver Jubilee x Jana). (yb). Flood (2 pls 2 yrs ON): Not many blooms in first year, not exhibition. Advertised for a hedge, the weak growth has only improved marginally this year. Not what I expected, will try some new bushes next year. Wood (1 yr 2 pls 2.5-3' BC): Nice bloom, medium fragrance - I like it. Compact grower, nice foliage, disease resistant.

CRYSTALLINE (VALERIE SWANE), HT (Christensen x Carruth '87) [Bridal Pink x (Blue Nile x Ivory Tower x Angel Face)]. W (w), 30-35 petals. Cochran (3 pls 3 yrs 3.5-4' CA): Buds light lemon, full open blooms pure white with crystalline sparkle, good substance. One of the best exhibition varieties in the white class, outstanding for garden, very floriferous all season. I love it and would never be without it. Tall sprays like a Grandiflora. I pinch basal canes when they appear, resulting in two long stems producing quality show blooms, Upright branching growth habit, bright green glossy foliage, will mildew if not sprayed regularly. Kopecky (1 pl 1 yr 2.5' NE): High centred exhibition bloom, very good substance, one of the cleanest whites to appear in some time. Received a small plant that made good growth with sufficient bloom. Have seen it in other gardens, could become one of the best whites around. Will give it another year. Bushy grower, no disease.

DAILY EXPRESS, HT (Fryer int '86 NR). (ab). Brown (1 pl 1 yr 3' BC): Apricot/salmon colour, small double bloom, good form and substance. Blooms better for house rather than for exhibition. Medium growth habit, good foliage, no disease.

DELTA GOLD, HT (A. Perry '88 int '89) (Arizona x World Peace). (yb),

yellow/cherry red. No reports.

DOCTOR DICK (DR. DICK), HT (Cocker '85 int '86) (Fragrant Cloud x Corso). OB (o-p), orange/coral, 40-45 petals. Blyth (2 pls 2 yrs 4' ON): Appealing colour and shape, high centred exhibition form, not a big producer of blooms. Second year growth much better than first. No disease, needs winter protection. Chauncey (2 pls 1 yr 3-4' BC): More coral than orange blend, large spectacular exhibition bloom with recurved petals, fragrant. Took my breath away, star of the year for me. Needs full sun. Medium growth habit, good foliage, no disease. Flood (2 pls 5 yrs 3' ON): Exhibition form, very shapely bloom, excellent substance, a great rose to take to the Show. A very beautiful rose, colour is so clear, lasts well in the sun. Blooms produced one to a stem, some fragrance. Very erect habit, healthy glowing foliage, hardy.

DOROTHY ANNE, HT (Winchel '85) (First Prize x Lady X). PB (pb), white blending to deep pink at edges. Brown (1 pl 2 yrs 3' BC): White with deep pink edging. Exhibition form, good substance, will increase my number of plants. Medium size bushy grower, no disease. Heaslip (1 pl 1 yr 4' BC): Very large bloom, ivory and pink, exhibition form, thin substance, good repeat. Spreading growth habit, no disease.

DOUBLE PERFECTION, HT (Winchel '88 int '87) [(My Dream x First Prize) x unnamed seedling]. (rb), strawberry red & cream. Brown (2 pls 1 yr 3' BC): Double bloom, exhibition form, good substance. Similar to 'Double Delight' and 'Headliner' only deeper red. Medium growth habit, good foliage but bad mildew. Dyck (1 pl 1 yr 4' BC): Cream with traces of red, decorative form, good substance, beautiful flowers resemble 'Fragrant Delight', long lasting. Very good rose with love and tender care, never without good long stemmed flowers. Strong bushy growth habit, not too abundant foliage, OK for disease with spraying. Kopecky (3 pls 1-2 yrs 4' NE): Mostly high centred exhibition form, very good substance, outstanding colour combination. Blooms large and attractive, last well when cut. Shows well, a very good new introduction. Tall upright grower, no disease noted, hardiness very good.

DUFTRAUSCH (SENTEUR ROYALE)(OLD FRAGRANCE), HT (Tantau '85 int '86). MP (mp), 40+ petals. Chauncey (1 pl 1 yr 4' BC): Deep pink for me, exhibition HT form, good substance, extremely fragrant, fair repeat. Wide growth habit, some candelabras, no disease. Heaslip (1 pl 1 yr 3.5' BC): Unusual shade of mauve-pink, exhibition form, good substance, strong fragrance. Slim grower, recovering from winter freeze so slow growth. Large leathery dark green foliage, no disease. Lacroix (3 pls 2 yrs 3' QC): Classed medium pink but more like purple for me. Decorative form with many petals, fair substance, lasts well. Borne one to a stem, few

clusters. Worth keeping if only for fragrance. Upright grower, no disease, hardiness good.

DYNASTY, HT (Warriner '89 int '91) (Unnamed seedling x unnamed seedling). (ob), bright orange/rich sunny yellow, 30 petals, ROTY '91. Decker (1 pl 1 yr 4' AK): Orange with yellow reverse, colourful. High centred exhibition form, good substance, floriferous. Tall upright grower, seems healthy for a 1st year rose.

EAGLE, HT (Verschuren '84) (Centurion x Red Planet). (dr), 37-40 petals. Stedman (1 pl 4 yrs 4' PE): Odd name for a rose. Small plant purchased locally has grown extremely well, wing spread of 5'. Rich dark red blooms of average form, petals blacken a little at tips. Form a bit flat with off centres, very odd but excellent flower. Strong raspberry-like fragrance. A little late in blooming but two flushes produced dozens of blooms each time. Outstanding vigour and hardiness, good disease resistance. (Last year for reporting this rose).

ELIZABETH TAYLOR, HT (Weddle '86) (First Prize x Swarthmore). DP (dp), 35 petals. Blyth (3 pls 3 yrs 4' ON): High centred exhibition form, good substance, beautiful colour. A good producer of excellent quality. Doesn't like the rain. Clean tall grower, shiny foliage, no disease, hardy. Bryant (1 pl 3 yrs 4-5' ON): Very large classic bloom, high centred exhibition form, good substance, beautiful colour. Think it will be around for a long time. Tall growth habit, mildews. Kopecky (2 pls 3 yrs 3.5 NE): High centred exhibition bloom, very good substance. Lost one to some animal this Spring but plants produced ample supply of excellent blooms this year. Parentage makes this a very good rose. Tall grower, no disease so far, hardiness excellent. Lacroix (1 pl 4 yrs 3' QC): High centred exhibition blooms on long strong stems, very good substance, a bit of a cropper, could use more blooms. Excellent cultivar. Spreading growth habit, excellent foliage, no disease, hardiness very good. Laidlaw (1 pl 1 yr 3.5' ON): Rich pink, deeper at outer edge. Exhibition form bloom but some white streaks, mostly singles, always some bloom, slight fragrance. I like her, gets better as season progresses. No disease. Langlois (4 pls 3 yrs 4' BC): Large bloom, very good high centred form, good substance. A very beautiful rose that performs well and an excellent cut rose. Strong grower, some mildew. Stedman (1 pl 1 yr 2' PE): Deep pink, lighter in centre, high centred exhibition form bloom, lovely in bud, excellent substance, very fragrant. First year plant growing quite well, medium size blooms but expect larger ones next year once plant gets established. Like it very much, really looking forward to next year. Opens in all weather, takes heat well, healthy foliage. Wood (2 pls 2 yrs BC): Killed this winter. Exhibition form blooms but not replacing Liz - 'Marijke Koopman' is as good and it's hardy.

ELMHURST, HT (A. Perry '85) (Granada x Helmut Schmidt). YB (yb), 35 petals. Kopecky (1 pl 2 yrs 3.5' NE): Exhibition for me, very good substance. Perry is producing some fine roses, this is one of his better introductions, a good all around variety. Bushy grower, some blackspot, hardiness very good for a yellow rose.

ENDLESS DREAM, HT (Twomey '89) (Emily Post x unnamed seedling). (mp). Pickett (1 pl 1 yr 30" MB): Pure pink, large blooms, excellent substance. A beautiful rose for every need. Good growth habit, shiny dark green foliage, very disease resistant. Schneider (1 pl 2 yrs 2' MB): 5" camellia-like blooms, wide open form, good substance, some fragrance. This is a good rose, first flush is early. Upright grower, no disease, hardiness good with protection.

FELICITY KENDAL, HT (Sealand Nurs. '85) (Fragrant Cloud x Mildred Reynolds). OB (ob), salmon-orange, 35 petals. Jubien (1 pl 3 yrs 3' QC): Semi-double bloom, decorative form, good substance. My bush does not produce a lot of bloom but it's worth growing. Rather tall grower, no disease, hardiness is good. Wood (1 yr 2 pls 4-5' BC): Medium size high centred bloom. Would need disbudding for exhibition but a good garden rose. Disease resistant.

FRAGRANT DREAM, HT (Dickson '88 int '89). (ab). Flood (2 pls 3 yrs 3.5' ON): More garden than exhibition, very free flowering, repeats quickly, very fragrant. Colour useful for flower arranging. Vigourous grower, excellent foliage, hardy.

FREEDOM, HT (Dickson '84) [(Eurorose x Typhoon) x Bright Smile]. DY (dy), chrome yellow, 35 petals, RNRS GM '83. Flood (2 pls 4 yrs 2.5' ON): Garden type, strong unfading colour, much better bloom production this year, useful for its colour. Short growth habit, healthy foliage. Stedman (1 pl 2 yrs 1.5' PE): Barely made it through winter, small bush starting to come back quite well. Small bright yellow blooms, more like a Floribunda than a HT. Healthy foliage. Won't replace if it winter kills, may need extra protection. (Last year for reporting this rose).

FROHSINN '82 (TANSINNROH in U.S.), HT (Tantau '84). AB (ab), apricot/peach/gold blend, 35 petals. Brisbane (1 pl 4 yrs 3' BC): Lovely blend of colours and one of my favourite roses. 4" bloom, excellent high centred form, very good substance, a must for exhibition. Floriferous, good repeat, usually borne singly with strong stems, fruity fragrance. Upright branching growth habit, dark leathery foliage, no disease with faithful spray programme. Lacroix (1 pl 2 yrs 2.5' QC): Apricot with yellow and pink. Very large bloom, outstanding high centred exhibition form, holds well, very good substance, mostly one to a stem, good scent. Not a very vigourous bush but

roses are worth the wait. Upright growth habit, sparse foliage, no disease, hardiness excellent. Stedman (1 pl 3 yrs 3' PE): Even with fairly average winter, plant still hasn't come back. Few exhibition blooms, very fragrant, beautiful colour its strongest point. Some blackspot, needs extra protection. (Last year for reporting this rose).

FRYjingo (THE LADY), HT (Fryer '85) (Pink Parfait x Redgold). YB (yb), honey yellow/edged salmon, 35 petals, Baden-Baden GM '87. Heaslip (1 pl 2 yrs 3' BC): Combination of pale gold, apricot and pink, exceptionally good exhibition rose, reflexed petals, heavy substance but sparse bloomer. Very contained grower, dark green foliage, rather tender plant. Langlois (3 pls 2 yrs 4' BC): Cream shaded orange/salmon. Perfect high centred form bloom, holds form very well, great cut rose, blooms cover the bush, fast repeat. One of the best roses, blooms first and last and regularly in between, a first class rose. Strong grower, very healthy.

FUNKUHR (GOLDEN SUMMERS), HT (Kordes '84) (Unnamed seedling x unnamed seedling). YB (yb), yellow/edged medium red, 35 petals. No reports. (Last year for reporting this rose).

FYVIE CASTLE (AMBERLIGHT), HT (Cocker '85) [{Sunblest x (Sabine x Dr. A.J. Verhage)} x Silver Jubilee]. PB (pb), light apricot/amber/pink blend, 35 petals, NZ GM '85. Flood (2 pls 3 yrs 3' ON): Exhibition, beautifully formed blooms, one to a stem, repeats well, great substance, excellent colour. One outstanding rose, one of my favourites. Healthy and hardy. Wood (2 pls 2 yrs 2-2.5' BC): Brilliantly coloured bloom, excellent high centred form, short stemmed but useful for show box, good repeat. A really great rose. Lovely foliage, disease resistant.

GIVENCHY (PARIS PINK), HT (Christensen '86) (Gingersnap x Double Delight). RB (rb), pink blushed red/pink reverse/ yellow base, 30 petals. Heaslip (1 pl 1 yr 3.5' BC): Gold, red and amber colours make this a striking bloom, exhibition form, good substance, strong fragrance. Compact grower, dark green foliage, no disease.

GOLDSTAR (CANDIDE)(POINT DU JOUR), HT (Cants '83 int '84) (Yellow Pages and Dr. A.J. Verhage). DY (dy), 35 petals, The Hague GM '84. No reports. (Last year for reporting this rose).

GRACELAND, HT (Warriner '88 int '89) (New Day x unnamed seedling). (my), yellow with pink touches, 28 petals, J&P ROTY '89, The Hague GM '88. Flood (3 pls 1 yr ON): Winter killed, will not replace. Shewchuk (1 pl 2 yrs 2.5' AB): 4.5" bloom, decorative form, wavy petals, good substance, does not fade easily, good repeat. Very attractive colour and interesting carefree type of bloom. Vigourous growth habit, medium green matte

foliage, no disease, hardy with proper protection.

HEADLINER, HT (Warriner '85) (Love x Color Magic). PB (pb), pink blending to deep pink at edges, 40 petals, J&P ROTY '86. Arberry (1 pl 2 yrs 3-4' BC): Double bloom, mostly confused centres, fair substance, the odd single but mostly clusters. Gave it a second year to improve but very little noted - will replace this year. Bryant (1 pl 3 yrs 3' ON): Large bloom, high centred exhibition form, great substance, 1 to a stem, repeats well. Upright grower, mildews, hardiness good. Dickey (1 pl 1 yr 3.5' ON): Large exhibition form bloom, good substance, good repeater. Resembles 'Double Delight' in colour, more elegant shape but lacks its perfume. Medium size bush, some mildew. Hart (2 pls 2 & 3 yrs 4' ON): Beautiful 5.5" bloom with high white centre and cerise edge, high centred exhibition form, excellent substance. Long lasting - over 1 1/2 weeks in really hot weather - but can ball in rain. 14 long stemmed blooms on 3 yr plant then too numerous to count in second flush, some clusters; 2 yr plant less bloom, more clusters than singles. Blackspot in August, hardy if hilled up. Raven (1 pl 4 yrs 2' AB): Huge double blooms that open beautifully, excellent substance, borne singly. When bloom is at its peak it's a show stopper but wish there were more of them. Upright grower, good basal breaks, no disease, winter protection needed. Semeniuk (1 pl 3 yrs 44" BC): 4.5" blooms when borne singly, smaller in clusters. Not attractive, ivory is muddy, light red edging is pale and not uniform, quantity OK but quality poor, late bloomer. Won't get another. 'Double Delight' is better. Shewchuk (1 pl 6 yrs 2.5' AB): Exhibition form 4.5-5" bloom, good substance. Easily damaged by rain, has never been good with bloom repeat, will discard. No disease, hardy with proper protection. Stedman (1 pl 2 yrs 3' PE): Beautiful exhibition bloom with reflexed petals, early blooms large and of perfect form on long straight stems, long lasting on bush, will ball in cool wet autumn. One of my favourites. Good disease resistance. Yeomans (1 pl 4 yrs 30" BC): Weakened by frost last winter, do not like it enough to replace it. Flowers the colour of some revolting flavour of ice cream.

HEIDI JAYNE, HT (Esser '86 Carlile int '87) [(Piccadilly x Queen Elizabeth) x (Fragrant Cloud and unnamed seedling)]. DP (dp), bright deep pink, 32 petals. Flood (3 pls 5 yrs 3' ON): Exhibition form, produces many blooms, one to a stem, clear colour, great for exhibition. Good healthy foliage, hardy. Langlois (5 pls 2 yrs 5' BC): Cup shaped open bloom, very prolific and frequent repeater, very good substance. Excellent garden variety, always in bloom. Grows straight up! No disease.

HOAGY CARMICHAEL, HT (McGredy '90) [(Sir Harry Pilkington x Elegy) x Pounder Star]. (mr), velvety red, 35 petals. Cochran (3 pls 2 yrs 4.5-5' CA): Glowing velvety red colour in all types of weather. Beautiful rose with perfect form, spiralled centres reflex into super exhibition form, excellent

substance, long lasting. It's many years since I've seen a variety with such beautiful form, long stiff stems, glossy dark green fully disease resistant foliage. Winning hearts of many rosarians, will increase this lovely. Tall upright grower. Decker (1 pl 1 yr 30" AK): Large bloom, medium red with darker edges, high centred exhibition form; good substance. Took from April 5 to July 5 for this rose to break dormancy, then had only one very nice form bloom from a short plant. Some mildew. Duskin (3 pls 3 yrs 3' OR): Large blooms that are produced fairly regularly, usually exhibition form, excellent substance. One of the best roses for opening in fog and rain but can't get mine to grow. Apparently Hoagy doesn't like the coast, saw some beautiful plants inland. No disease. Heaslip (1 pl 1 yr 3.5' BC): Very large exhibition bloom, heavy substance, quick repeat bloom. Those who like to blend reds with other colours will like the muted shade of red. Upright grower, no disease.

HOLSTEINPERLE (HEIDI KABEL), HT (Kordes '87). DP (o-p), dark orange-red/pink reverse, 35-45 petals. Lacroix (1 pl 1 yr 3' QC): Decorative form, many petals, average substance, good strong stems. Many blind shoots in Spring, very vigourous with good basal breaks. Will need another year to better evaluate but not impressed so far. Upright grower, excellent foliage, no disease.

INGRID BERGMAN, HT (Poulsen '84) (Precious Platinum seedling). DR (dr), velvety dark red, 30 petals, Belfast GM '85, Madrid GM '86, NZ GM '89. Heaslip (1 pl 1 yr 3.5' BC): Large fully petalled bloom, exhibition form, very good substance. Compact grower, medium green semi glossy foliage, no disease. Langlois (2 pls 3 yrs 4' BC): High centred form bloom, opens slowly, excellent substance, a regular producer of neat flowers. No disease. Mychaluk (1 pl 3 yrs tall AB): Classic exhibition form with tight centre that unfolds slowly, excellent substance, long lasting as cut flower. One of my favourites. Vigourous grower, no disease, hardiness excellent. Shewchuk (2 pls 6 yrs 2.5' AB): 5" well formed exhibition bloom, good substance, holds colour well, fragrant. After six years it's still one of my best roses. Vigourous upright grower, no disease, hardy with good protection. Stanton ((1 pl 2 yrs 4.5' ON): Long bud, double bloom, exhibition form, good substance, lots of bloom, mostly singles, repeats well, a very attractive rose. Lots of basal breaks, some blackspot, hardiness good. Yeomans (1 pl 4 yrs 5' BC): A magnificent garden rose, prolific bloomer, great foliage, vigourous bushy habit. Flowers seldom have the neat centre required for exhibition. No disease. (Last year for reporting this rose).

INK SPOTS, HT (Weeks '85) (Unnamed seedling x unnamed seedling). DR (dr), 35 petals. Semeniuk (1 pl 1 yr 3' BC): Attractive pointed dark red buds open slowly to dark black and red 3.5" wide flat blooms, need a bit of shade to prevent fading of colour. Decorative not exhibition form, good substance, pleasant fragrance. Compact grower, dull green foliage, a little blackspot.

JacaKOR (JACARANDA), HT (Kordes '85) [(Mercedes x Emily Post) x unnamed seedling]. MP (mp), mauve-pink, 35 petals. Lacroix (1 pl 2 yrs 2.5' QC): Medium pink with mauve shadings, ugly in bud stage but a real beauty when 1/2 to 3/4 open. Opens fast but lasts well, very floriferous, intense fragrance. Growth is spreading, excellent foliage, no disease, hardiness very good. Langlois (5 pls 3 yrs 3' BC): Not very attractive when open, poor form, good substance, prolific but not a consistent bloomer, will remove them this year. No disease.

JARDINS DE BAGATELLE (SARAH), HT (Meilland '86) [Queen Elizabeth x Elegy) x Meidragelac]. LP (w), very pale pink, 65 petals, Genoa GM '87. Cadsby (2 pls 1 yr 12" ON): Very pale pink, charming, full petalled bloom, potential exhibition form, good substance. Looking forward to very good results. Name brings back memories of Bagatelle, the most beautiful rose garden of all. Upright grower, large medium green foliage, no disease. Langlois (1 pl 1 yr 3.5' BC): Very large high centred bloom, opens beautifully, excellent substance, very fragrant. Beautiful new rose that blooms profusely, excellent bedding rose to plant en masse. Dense foliage, no disease.

JOHN-PAUL II, HT (Guy Brisebois x Jack McIntyre '84, J&P Nursery '84). OB (ob), 40-42 petals. Shewchuk (1 pl 4 yrs 2.5' AB): Attractive 4.5" exhibition bloom, fairly good substance, lots of bloom and good repeat. Much like 'Tropicana' with more and smaller petals. Vigour improved tremendously in last two years. Medium green semi glossy foliage, susceptible to mildew. Hardy with proper protection. (Last year for reporting this rose).

KORhanbu (BELAMI), HT (Kordes '85) [(Prominent x Carina) x Emily Post]. MP (o-p), light pink/edged carmine, 35 petals. Heaslip (1 pl 2 pls 6' BC): Very large 6" bloom, lovely medium shrimp pink, touch of red on petal edge, white base. Exhibition form, very good substance, should do well on show bench but candelabras in Fall - still beautiful. Vigourous growth habit, dark green foliage, no disease.

KORlingo (KARDINAL), HT (Kordes '85) (Unnamed seedling x Flamingo). MR (mr), 35 petals. Langlois (7 pls 3 yrs 4' BC): One of the most attractive reds, excellent form and substance, prolific and constant bloomer. Good growth habit, sparse foliage, will mildew. Shewchuk (2 pls 3 yrs 2.5' AB): 4.5-5" exhibition form bloom, good substance, long lasting but fades in sun, good repeat. Plant are losing vigour, will discard if they continue to do so. No disease, hardy with proper protection. Wood (2 pls 3 yrs 2.5-3' BC): Poor small bloomer, didn't have enough going for it for me so spaded it this Fall.

LADY DIANA, HT (Hoy '83 int '86). (lp), 40 petals. Cadsby (1 pl 3 yrs 2' ON): Very attractive light pink bloom, exhibition form, good substance but would like more bloom. Upright grower, medium green glossy foliage, no disease, hardiness good. Shewchuk (2 pls 2 & 3 yrs 2.5' AB): Attractive 4.5" bloom, exhibition form, good substance, good repeat, stands rain well. Upright grower, large medium green glossy foliage, susceptible to mildew, hardy with proper protection. Whiteside/Fendel (2 pls 2 yrs 18-24" NS): Bloom is a lovely clear colour but flowers are small, almost miniature. May be due to very hot dry summer but after first bloom in June one didn't bloom again and other very sparsely. Fully double, fair substance, lasts well. Growing in a formal rose bed. Spreading growth habit, did not seem very vigourous and not really very hardy.

LADY LIKE, HT, (Tantau int '89 NR). (ob). Cochran (2 pls 2 yrs 3.5-4' CA): Rich deep non fading pink, withstands fog. Exhibition and garden form, good centres with rounded petals, opens slowly, great substance, usually one bloom per stem, lasts well. Upright bushy grower, long strong stems clothed with beautiful dark glossy leathery foliage, no disease, Will keep, looks like a real winner but needs another year.

LADY MEILLAND, HT (Meilland '85 NR). (o-p), azalea pink, 30 petals. Langlois (1 pl 1 yr 3.5' BC): Very slow opening elegant blooms, high centred form, excellent substance. Colour is like a magnet, a real show stopper and an excellent bedding rose. Strong grower, dense foliage, no disease.

LANVIN, HT (Christensen '85) (Unnamed seedling x Katherine Loker). MY (ly), bright yellow, 30 petals. Dyck (1 pl 1 yr low, BC): Nice clean colour, good form, tender substance, one wave of 5 blooms and that was it, nothing special. Died last winter - good riddance.

LIEBESZAUBER, HT (Kordes int '90 NR) (Unnamed seedling x Pink Panther). (mr). Cochran (2 pls 2 yrs 4.5-5' CA): Gorgeous dark red velvety colour glows, non-fading. Large blooms, full petalled high-centred exhibition form, heavy thick substance, 'Queen' quality. Thought I had lost my imported Kordes test roses to previous December's heavy freezing but they grew back showing many lovely cultivars. Upright branching growth habit, dark leathery semi-glossy foliage, disease resistant. Heaslip (1 pl 1 yr 7' BC): Blood red bloom, nice shape similar to 'Brandy', exhibition form, very good substance. Unusually strong growth in first year, large dark green foliage, no disease.

LIMELIGHT (GOLDEN MEDALLION), HT (Kordes '85) (Peach Melba x seedling). MY (ly), lime green, 35 petals. Cochran (2 pls 2 yrs 4.5' CA): Rich golden non fading yellow, long buds, blooms have a fault - many seem to have an inverted petal, need another year for a better report. Thought I

had lost them to December's severe frost. Excellent plants, great colour, fragrance. Upright spreading grower, no disease. Decker (1 pl 1 yr 2-3' AK): Clear medium yellow, high centred exhibition form, excellent substance, holds form and colour well. I like this rose, expect it to improve next year (I hope). Spreading growth habit, short this year, some mildew. Dickey (1 pl 1 yr 3.5' ON): Decorative form, good substance. Mine tended towards a Floribunda in appearance with many clusters of medium sized blooms. Was impressed that the lemon yellow colour did not fade with time or very hot sun. Bushy growth habit, good foliage, mildew. Lacroix (1 pl 2 yrs 3' QC): Small bloom, mostly decorative form, very few singles, would make a perfect Grandiflora. Very good substance, light vanilla fragrance, good flower production with fast repeat, long lasting cut or on bush. Very good yellow. Upright grower, no disease, hardiness excellent. Mychaluk (1 pl 1 yr AB): Never broke bud from newly planted stock. Raven (1 pl 2 yrs 2.5' AB): Bloom is a rather attractive lime green/yellow combination, a bit odd but it grows on me, gets rather unattractive towards the end. Form decorative, fair substance, singles and some clusters, heavy bloomer, good repeat. Good basal breaks, some mildew, winter protection needed. Smallenberg (1 pl 1 yr 4' BC): Unfading lemon yellow colour, attractive garden variety, decorative form, excellent waxy substance, profuse and continuous bloomer from early June to late October, mostly sprays of 3-4 on average stems. 4" blooms last well on bush. Dark green foliage, no disease.

LINCOLN CATHEDRAL (SARONG), HT (G.W.T. Langdale '85) (Silver Jubilee x Royal Dane). OB (ob), outer petals pink/inner orange/yellow reverse, 28-33 petals, RNRS GM '85. Langlois (2 pls 2 yrs 4' BC): Salmon/orange blend, good form and substance but not yet a very good producer of nice blooms. Will try it one more year. Very dense foliage, no disease. Wood (2 pls 2 yrs 2.5-3' BC): Beautiful exhibition type blooms, repeats well. I like it and have ordered another. Nice foliage, disease resistant.

LOBO, HT (Perry '87) (Kordes Perfects x Gavotte). (rb). No reports.

LOUIS DE FUNES (CHARLESTON '88), HT (Meilland '87) [Ambassador x Whisky Mac) x (Arthur Bell x Kabuki)]. OB (ob), bicolour orange/capucine, 20 petals. Cadsby (2 pls 1 yr 18" ON): Very attractive deep colours, orange on outside, yellow on inside. Decorative form, fair substance. Upright grower, medium green foliage, blackspots. If it survives winter I will be hoping for more bloom.

LOVELY LADY (DICKSON'S JUBILEE), HT (Dickson '86) [Silver Jubilee x (Eurorose x Annabell)]. (mp), 35 petals, Belfast GM '84. Flood (2 pls 4 yrs ON): Exhibition form, graceful buds, great substance. Again, roses with the 'Silver Jubilee' parentage have such clear colour. One of the

best in my garden, a winner. Vigourous growth habit, lots of new basal breaks, very healthy foliage, a rich reddish dark green. Langlois (1 pl 1 yr 4' BC): Full petalled, high centred bloom, beautiful form and colour, excellent substance, fragrant. This is one rose I will plant more of next year, very attractive. Strong grower, excellent foliage, no disease. Smallenberg (1 pl 2 yrs 2' BC): Clear pink/salmon shading at base, particularly beautiful with late afternoon sun on them. 4-4.5" bloom, cupped form, excellent substance, good September bloom, good repeat. A very lovely variety, definitely one to keep. 40-45 petals, rain tolerant, low open growth habit, attractive medium green foliage, no disease.

LYNETTE, HT (Kordes '85) (Clivia x Meitakilor). PB (w). Heaslip (1 pl 1 yr 3' BC): Very large (7") bloom, petals ivory edged pink, exhibition form, good substance, stingy with blooms. Slight growth habit, dark green foliage, no disease, tender. Almost lost it to freeze.

MACAROM (GOLDIE), HT (McGredy '88) (Unnamed seedling x Golden Gate). (my). Brown (2 pls 3 yrs 4.5' BC): Creamy yellow, HT form, good substance, in sprays of 8-12 blooms or singles. Excellent rose, should be grown more. Tall bushy grower, excellent foliage, no disease. McGee (1 pl 2 yrs 5' ON): Mid yellow fades slightly with age, blooms spread along edge of cane, open cup bloom, not exhibition. Very pleasing garden rose, still blooming in November. Medium green foliage, disease resistant, hardiness normal. Shewchuk (2 pls 4 yrs 2.5' AB): 4-4.5" double bloom, large clusters, very showy, substance good, stands rain well, good repeat. Lost some vigour each of last 3 years. Dark glossy foliage.

MACponui (REBEKAH), HT (McGredy '88) (Freude x Typhoo Tea), PB (pb), dark salmon pink. Raven (1 pl 3 yrs 3' AB): Decorative form, old-fashioned look, good substance. I like this one, nice clusters of huge blooms but they could last longer. Upright growth habit, shiny medium green foliage, some blackspot, winter protection needed. Whiteside/Feindell (2 pls 2 yrs 4' NS): Large, very double, very fragrant bloom, exhibition form, excellent substance. A beautiful garden rose and superlative cutting rose - slow opening and long lasting. Vigourous tall grower, dark green healthy foliage. Lost one to winter kill (alternate freeze and thaw) but so far the other one is pretty good.

MACyefre (CHARTREUSE)(SOLITAIRE), HT (McGredy '87) (Decorat x Benson & Hedges Gold). YB (yb), yellow edged red. Chauncey (1 pl 1 yr 6' BC): Exquisite colour - yellow with pink frilled edge, large bloom, exhibition form, good substance, light repeater. Deer don't like it. Very tall growth habit, disease resistant. Heaslip (1 pl 2 yrs 8' BC): Primrose yellow with a pencil edge of pink on petals, different form, flat and frilled, very good substance. Very rampant grower, almost like a climber. Medium size

medium green foliage, no disease. Pelham (3 pls 2 yrs NS): Interesting yellow blend with greenish cast, some blooms greener than others, odd colour but striking, good form and substance. We prune and cut back severely for winter mounding so am not sure of natural height. Very dry season this year so little disease in any of the roses. Hardiness good. Wood (1 pl 3 yrs 8', BC): Grows like a climber, huge pale yellow blooms all summer - I love it. Very healthy and vigourous.

MAID OF HONOR, HT (Weddle '86 int '84) (Folklore x unnamed seedling). YB (yb), yellow/light pink centre, 40+ petals. Blyth (3 pls 4 yrs 6' ON): Good exhibition blooms, very good substance. A very tall grower to 6' and 7'; have had trouble with anthracnose leaf spot disease on this plant but does not affect growth. Very hardy. Bryant (1 pl 3 yrs 6' ON): Classic exhibition form, great substance but bloom dislikes the wet. Lots of Spring bloom and continues until frost. Dark green foliage, no disease, hardiness good. Kopecky (2 pls 3 yrs 3.5' NE): High centred bloom, mostly exhibition, good substance, a good grower for me. This colour is hard to winter in Nebraska but the Maid has been doing well. A winner in arrangements with wood because of unique colouring. Laidlaw (1 pl 1 yr 6'+ ON): Tight cream bud opens to well formed high centred exhibition bloom, excellent substance. Love the delicate colour, always in bloom, if only she had fragrance. Tall strong grower, no disease. Langlois (8 pls 4 yrs 6'+ BC): Large very double bloom, excellent form and substance, fragrant, excellent for cutting and long lasting. A very beautiful rose and a favourite. Needs disbudding to produce larger flowers. Very strong grower, no disease, hardiness good. (Last year for reporting this rose).

MAGIC MOMENT, HT (Warriner '92). (rb), red/yellow bicolour, 35 petals, AARS '91. Cochran (3 pls 3 yrs 4.5' CA): Chrome-yellow buds, blooms brilliant fire red. Medium size bloom, high centred form, good substance, sprays of 3-5 blooms and a few singles completely cover the vigourous plants. Beautiful colour, no fragrance, outstanding garden colour. Upright spreading growth habit, dark leathery foliage, no disease.

MALCOLM SARGENT (NATASCHA), HT (Harkness '87 int '88) (Herbstfeuer x Trumpeter). MR (mr), crimson, 25-28 petals, Belfast GM '90. Brown (2 pl 2 yrs 4' BC): Flat double blooms, not exhibition to date, decorative form, good substance, nice red but there are better. Tall upright grower, some mildew. Flood (2 pls 4 yrs 5' ON): Strictly a garden type, globular shape, excellent substance, repeats well, a dependable bush to provide a real show all season long. Constantly in bloom, what a great variety for a solid bed of colour. Very tall grower, excellent foliage, no disease. Smallenberg (1 pl 3 yrs 2' BC): Shining crimson colour, lovely little bud, boutonniere type, opens a bit flat, decorative form 4" bloom, very good substance. All singles for me, attractive garden variety for front of bed.

Compact grower, small semi-glossy foliage, no disease, some winter damage, needs protection.

MARIANNE TUDOR (NUIT D'ETE), HT (Fryer int '89 NR). (mr), bright red, Geneva GM '89. Brown (1 pl 2 yrs 3.5' BC): Double bloom, seldom high centred enough for exhibition, good substance - there are better reds. Tall grower, mildews. Yeomans (1 pl 1 yr 66" BC): Medium size, very bright flowers of good form, possibly not enough petals for Show. Upright healthy plant, very attractive.

MICHEL LIS (MICHEL LIS LE JARDINIER)(SANDRO PERTINI in Italy), HT (Meilland int '87 NR) [(Queen Elizabeth x Karl Herbst) x (Papa Meilland x President Leopold Senghor)]. (mr), cherry pink, 45-50 petals. Cadsby (2 pls 1 yr 3' ON): Free blooming red, very showy, clusters, decorative form, good substance. A vigourous rose which should do well in its second season. Tall grower, reddish green foliage, some blackspot.

MIKADO (KOH-SAI), HT (Seizo Suzuki '87) (Fragrant Cloud x Kagayaki). RB (rb), bright cherry red/gold base of petals and reverse, 40 petals, AARS '88. Decker (1 pl 1 yr 42" AK): Red blend but for me it's mostly orange-yellow with red edges, nice bright colour. High centred form, could be exhibition, good substance. Medium tall, no disease. Hay (1 pl 1 yr 1' BC): Wonderful glowing colour lights up the whole rose bed, produced several medium size blooms, exhibition form, fair substance, repeated well for a small bush. It survived a cold winter well (wasn't planted until late November), and is still quite small but coming along well. I'm looking forward to next year. Spreading growth habit, shiny olive green foliage, some blackspot. Laidlaw (1 pl 1 yr 3' ON): Very bright colour, more red than orange, bright yellow petal base, 3" decorative form bloom, good substance, some singles but more clusters of 3. Slow to start but floriferous when it got going. Quite a nice little garden fellow. Compact grower, no disease. Shewchuk (1 pl 2 yrs 2.5' AB): Red bi-colour, attractive, 5" exhibition bloom, good substance, slightly fragrant, medium repeat performer. Neat upright grower, large medium green glossy foliage, no disease, hardy with proper protection.

MILESTONE, HT (Warriner '85) (Sunfire x Spellbinder). RB (rb), medium red/silvery red reverse, opening to coral pink, 40+ petals. Kopecky (3 pls 4 yrs 4.5' NE): Attractive colour, large bloom, some exhibition, some split centres, excellent substance. One of the better roses in the garden, almost always in bloom, lasts long when cut. Tall growth habit, no disease noted, hardiness excellent. Raven (1 pl 4 yrs 3' AB): Nice red, huge blooms smell like raspberries and last and last and last! Decorative form, excellent substance, in clusters and singles, excellent fragrance. Upright grower, no disease, winter protection needed. Shewchuk (1 pl 7 yrs 2.5' AB): Coral pink changing to deep coral red when fully open, does not fade easily. 5" bloom,

exhibition form, good substance, good repeat, long lasting on bush and as cut flower, long strong stems. Eye-catcher in the garden, would increase if space weren't limited. Neat upright bush, large dark semi glossy foliage, some to mildew, hardy with proper protection.

MONIKA (MONICA), HT (Tantau '85 int '86). PB (pb), 20-35 petals. Arberry (1 pl 1 yr 4-5' BC): Large double bloom, exhibition type, excellent substance, mostly singles. Very impressed with this rose's first year, continually in flower. Very vigourous grower, strong stems, very abundant foliage, no disease, winter hardy. Cochran (2 pls 5 yrs 3.5-4' CA): Long slender chrome yellow buds, blooms tangerine and yellow blend. Spiralled centres, decorative form, good substance, open a little fast but hold form showing beautiful centre, lightly fragrant. Really a charming colourful rose, the public love it, and a real gem for arrangements. Bushy plants with lovely foliage but it's the colour that will get your attention. Upright spreading grower, no disease so far.

MOONDROPS, HT (Delforge int '85 NR). (m), pink-lavender. Langlois (5 pls 2 yrs 4' BC): Wonderful colour, an excellent mauve, double bloom, good size, form and substance, very prolific and very fast to repeat. Very strong grower, medium foliage, no disease. Pearson (1 pl 1 yr 4' BC): Globular buds, 5" high-centred blooms with exhibition potential, good substance. Very nice garden rose, will watch for exhibition blooms in '92. Will be tall, free of all disease.

NATIONAL VELVET, HT (L. Burks '88 int '90) (Poinsettia x National Beauty). (dr), dark red/black velvet cast, 18-20 petals. Thompson (1 pl 1 yr. BC): My darkest red and without the problems of the floppy older models. I find this rose stunning in every way, colour, form, foliage (mahogany to rich green). Lots of blooms that open in almost any weather. A new favourite right from the start and it did open first last Spring - after 'Perfect Moment'. Strong plant, rangy if you take your blooms near the top. Candelabras beautifully by putting out long stem show contenders rather than blooming on short leafless necks.

NOBILO'S CHARDONNAY (CHARDONNAY), HT (McGredy '84) [Freude x (Wienerwald x Benson & Hedges Gold)]. MY (my), orange yellow, 35 petals. Lacroix (1 pl 2 yrs 2.5' QC): Golden yellow to apricot with pinkish tones, very different colour but hard to blend with others. Excellent high centred exhibition form, very good substance, opens fast, short stems, many blind shoots in Spring. Spreading grower, large glossy foliage, some disease, hardiness excellent. Semeniuk (1 pl 3 yrs 3' BC): Lovely golden bronze, unusual. 4.5" bloom, exhibition form, great substance, slow starter in Spring, lasts well, not a prolific bloomer but worth waiting for! Terrific on bench and in arrangements. Bushy tall grower, shiny medium green foliage,

no disease. Lawrence (1 pl 2 yrs 4' BC): Buff-yellow to peach, medium fairly full bloom, opens flat, very good substance, medium fragrance. Tall vigourous grower, foliage large, some blackspot. Stedman (1 pl 2 yrs 1' PE): A different colour, butterscotch yellow centre to creamy yellow, large buds, but has gone downhill since last year, maybe due to gall or just not hardy. Will not remove just yet as colour is very nice, form quite good. Excellent glossy foliage, healthy, few thorns. Yeomans (1 pl 2 yrs 48" BC): Typical McGredy Hybrid Tea, unusual, attractive colour, magnificent large foliage, vigourous. Good garden rose. (Last year for reporting this rose).

OLDCASTLE, HT (Walter Lemire Roses '85) (Queen Elizabeth x Charlotte Armstrong). MP (mp), 55 petals. No reports.

PERFECT MOMENT (JACK DAYSON), HT (Reimer Kordes '89 int '91) [New Day x (Mercedes x unnamed seedling)]. (rb) dark chrome yellow/brushed fire red, 30-35 petals, AARS '91. Duskin (3 pls 2 yrs 3.5' OR): Large bloom, bright orange and red bi-colour, spiralled high centre, excellent substance, pretty decent repeat. A really worthy AARS winner for this area, a crowd pleaser, winning its share of ribbons and awards. Neat! Medium bushy growth habit, large thick foliage, no disease, hardiness good. Dyck (1 pl 1 yr 4' BC): A very beautiful bloom in first stage, inside yellow bordered with red, outside red, when it opens it's somewhat flat and colour is light, very good substance. An abundance of flowers all summer long. Strong bushy grower, fairly disease resistant. Heaslip (2 pls 1 yr 3.5' BC): Striking blend of red and gold, bright colour is an eye catcher in garden. At times exhibition form, heavy substance, compact grower, mildews unless sprayed. McKenzie (2 pls 1 yr 3' ON): High centred exhibition form, good substance, keeping quality is excellent. This rose has a wonderful appearance, do wish it had more fragrance. Vigourous grower, dark green leatherlike foliage, excellent disease resistance. Scott (1 pl 1 yr 4' BC): Vibrant fiery coloured flower, very spectacular, full HT type form, fair repeat. Healthy bush, no disease. Shewchuk (1 pl 1 yr 2.5' AB): Yellow base/red tipped, 4.5-5" high centred exhibition form bloom, good substance, long strong stems, prolific bloomer, good repeat. I like the bloom and bush habit, destined to become a popular rose. No disease. Stedman (1 pl 1 yr 1.5' PE): Stunning colour of golden yellow brushed red. Very surprised to see this new AARS winner offered in local stores. Small plant hasn't grown very well, six or so average size blooms, centres a bit low, excellent heavy substance, very long lasting on plant. Hope it's hardy. Thompson (1 pl 1 yr BC): Bright, good form and substance that won't stop. I gave it love and it gave me Blue Ribbons and Best in Show. The only thing it's short on is fragrance but it has absolutely everything else. Gave me my first bloom of the year, May 24.

POTTON HERITAGE, HT (Harkness '86 int '87) (Precious Platinum x Dr. A.J. Verhage). RB (rb), cherry red/suffused yellow/pink reverse, 32 petals.

Flood (2 pls 3 yrs ON): Exhibition type, quite large, good substance with little fragrance. Unusual colour combination, a two-toned effect, red with outside ivory pink. Not my choice of colours, find it harsh. Very healthy, no disease, hardy.

PRECIOUS, HT (C.P. Dawson '85) [(Briarcliff x Carla seedling) x Pink Parfait]. (pb), medium to deep pink/reverse medium pink, 35 petals. No reports.

PURE LOVE, HT (A. Perry '88 int '87) (Queen Elizabeth x World Peace). W (w), creamy white. No reports.

QUEEN CHARLOTTE, HT (Harkness '88 int '89) (Basildon Bond x Silver Jubilee). (mp), rich salmon pink. Brown (1 pl 1 yr 3' BC): Double bloom, one to a stem, decorative form so far, good substance. Will have to look at it again next year. Bushy grower, good foliage, no disease. Cochran (2 pls 2 yrs 4.5' CA): Lovely bright salmon pink deepens as bloom ages. Medium size, loose decorative form, super substance but too few petals - will remove. Upright bushy grower, dark leathery foliage, disease-resistant. Flood (4 pls 3 & 5 yrs 4' ON): Rich salmon pink, underlying tones of mandarin red, yellow base. This is a very classy lady! Super form, substance, colour and very fragrant. Have had the opportunity to grow this rose for 4 years, great in every area. Super grower, great foliage, no disease. Langlois (1 pl 1 yr 3' ON): Bloom is very attractive becoming more orange as the weather warms. High centred exhibition form, good substance, a little skimpy on flowers for first year. Sturdy grower, no disease. Wood (2 pls 2 yrs 2.5' BC): Short plant but absolutely beautiful bloom, more orange than pink, would be great in a show box. Could bloom more but I ordered another, can't resist that colour.

RADIANT GOLD (NORTHERN GOLD), HT (J&P/McConnell '85). MY (my), 35 petals. No reports.

REBECCA CLAIRE, HT (Michael John Law '81, int '86) (Blessings x Redgold). OB (o-p), coppery orange/edged light coral, 28 petals, Edland Medal for Fragrance '80, RNRS PIT '80. Laidlaw (1 pl 1 yr 2.5' ON): Small pretty rose, good for boutonniere, exhibition form but so small, good substance, always in clusters, bloomed early but repeat sparse. I'm hoping for improvement next year as I really like colour and form. Short bushy grower, small dark green foliage, blackspot. Yeomans (1 pl 2 yrs 30" BC): Very beautiful veined flowers on a bushy healthy plant. Good garden rose, squeezing in another.

RED PERFECTION, HT (McGredy '86 int '87) (Karma x Arturo Toscanini). DR (dr). No reports.

RED STAR, HT (Twomey '91 NR). (mr), scarlet. Pickett (4 pls 2 yrs 2' MB): Large scarlet blooms, very good form and substance, always in bloom, 3 or 4 per stem. Good growth habit, dark green foliage, disease resistant. Like all HTs in our climate, they do need winter cover. Schneider (1 pl 2 yrs 3.5' MB): Large bloom opens cup shape, good substance, holds and repeats well. Pleased with this rose, a nice red, I use it in floral design. "Spready" grower, dark green foliage, no disease, hardiness good with protection.

REMEMBER ME, HT (Cocker '84) [Anne Letts x (Dainty Maid x Pink Favorite)]. OB (ob), coppery orange/darker veining, 20 petals. Flood (5 pls 7 yrs 5' ON): Small, exhibition form, many petals, a lovely bloom. Outstanding colour, real coppery orange with darker veining, most unusual and interesting. Excellent substance, lasts well as a cut flower. Have been growing this for a number of years with difficulty in getting real vigour in the plants, winter killed to the base each year. Two years now I have used a new method of winter protection; could not believe the difference in growth and height with having a good start. I now see 'Remember Me' the way I admired it in England. Yeomans (1 pl 1 yr 4' BC): Blend of brown, red and yellow. Combines the Cocker trade mark of unusually coloured flowers with good vigour and health. Flowers are well formed but I don't think have enough petals for showing. Am squeezing a second plant into the garden. (Last year for reporting this rose).

RENDEZ-VOUS (CHATELAINE DE LULLIER), HT (Meilland int '87 NR) [(Royal Velvet x Chrysler Imperial) x (Rouge Meilland x Independence) x Sonia Meilland] (dp), deep rose pink, 35 petals. Cadsby (1 pl 1 yr 18" ON): Exhibition form, good substance, one to a stem, a beautiful rose with lovely perfume. Upright grower, light green foliage, some blackspot.

ROSEMARY HARKNESS, HT (Harkness '85) [Compassion x (Basildon Bond x Grandpa Dickson)]. OB (ob), orange/yellow reverse, 35 petals, Belfast GM & Award for Fragrance '87. Flood (2 pls 3 yrs 4.5' ON): Medium size globular blooms, bud stage is very pretty, good form for flower arranging. Very interesting and attractive colour, makes a good show in the garden, repeats quickly, fragrant. Vigourous grower, lots of disease free foliage. hardy. Yeomans (1 pl 2 yrs 30" BC): Orangish colour, good garden rose, pretty, fragrant flowers, bushy, healthy plant.

ROYAL VELVET, HT (Meilland '86) [(Exciting x Suspense) x Duke of Windsor]. DR (dr), 28 petals. No reports.

ROYAL VOLUNTEER, HT (Cocker '88) (Yellow Pages x Alexander). (ob). Wood (2 pls 2 yrs BC): I can't believe Cockers would retail an absolutely hideous plant. I've given it two years in my garden and it's still insipid, had great joy in flinging it out this Fall.

ROYAL WILLIAM (DUFTZAUBER '84)(FRAGRANT CHARM '84), HT (Kordes '84) (Feuerzauber x seedling). DR (dr), blood red, 35 petals, J&P ROTY '87. Blyth (3 pls 3 yrs 5' ON): Large well formed exhibition blooms, good substance. A red rose everyone should have - healthy, repeat bloomer with exhibition blooms. Strong grower, bright green disease resistant foliage, hardiness is good. Decker (1 pl 1 yr 4' AK): Medium to dark red, edges darker here, nice colour. Can be exhibition, good substance, good repeat. Spreading growth habit, dark fairly healthy foliage, some mildew. Better for sunny climes, 'Olympiad' is still my favourite red. Dickey (1 pl 1 yr 3' ON): Beautiful velvety dark red, large blooms produced on single stems, exhibition form, excellent substance, average number of blooms. A favourite in my garden because of form and colour. Should be a good show rose. Compact bush. Dyck (1 pl 1 yr 6' BC): Beautiful big bloom that blows fast in warm weather, excellent form, good substance, a charming rose but fragrance? Still looking for the perfect red. Very tall bushy grower, mildews in Fall. Flood (2 pls 3 yrs 4' ON): Excellent form, full petalled exhibition bloom, gives dependable performance all through growing season. Some fragrance, great substance. Upright growth habit, lots of healthy foliage. Lacroix (2 pls 2 yrs 4' QC): Good garden variety but nothing special, good form and substance, colour fast, easy to grow, opens fast. Just another 'red'. Spreading growth habit, no disease, hardiness is excellent. Langlois (6 pls 2 yrs 5' BC): Rich red, good fragrance, first blooms excellent in size, subsequent ones smaller, high centred exhibition form, good substance. Has yet to prove itself as a standout. Strong grower, above average foliage, no disease. Smallenberg (1 pl 4 yrs 5' BC): Beautiful high centred blooms, exhibition form, on long sturdy stems, excellent substance. I love this rose! This year it really did perform well, not a lot of bloom but all are long lasting. No appreciable fragrance but can overlook this shortcoming. Long dark green foliage, no disease. Stanton (1 pl 2 yrs 4' ON): Long bud, exhibition form bloom, not as floriferous as some, nice rose but wish it would bloom more. Slender but vigourous growth habit, foliage tends to pale, some blackspot. Thompson (1 pl 1 yr BC): Halogen red, big well-shaped blooms, soft but substantive, a keeper for sure. Some absolute show stoppers appear to be on the way if the Royal can get the timing down a little better. Truly disease resistant. Tsuji (2 pl 2 yrs 4.5-5' BC): Dark velvety red, fair amount of large nicely shaped flowers on long sturdy stems. Upright and sturdy grower, lots of basal shoots and nice thick canes even this Spring after the extremely cold winter Vancouver had. Dark leathery foliage, good disease resistance. (Last year for reporting this rose).

SAVOY HOTEL (INTEGRITY), HT (Harkness '87 int '89) (Silver Jubilee x Amber Queen). (lp), soft shell pink, 45 petals, Dublin GM '88. Brown (1 pl 2 yrs 2.5' BC): A1 exhibition form, good substance, a great rose if I could get it to grow taller. Will add more. Glossy foliage, no disease. Duskin (2 pls 1 yr 3' OR): Full, frosting pink blooms, exhibition form and excellent

substance, comes at fast intervals, beautiful sight in garden. Will be a winner in years to come, one of the very few pale coloured roses that open well in our climate. Vigourous bushy grower, thick dark green foliage, no disease, hardiness very good. Flood (2 pls 2 yrs 2.5' ON): Large exhibition type bloom, great substance, attractive in all stages of bloom. I love light pink, this is certainly one of the most beautiful. Plants performed much better this year, lots of vigour. Will look to this one for the show table this year. Heaslip (1 pl 2 yrs 3.5' BC): Beautifully reflexed spiralled petals, light pink, reverse darker. Rather slow to establish but worth the wait. Compact grower, no disease. Langlois (3 pls 2 yrs 3.5' BC): Excellent bedding variety, one of the first to bloom and very prolific, entire plant is covered in first bloom. Perfect shape, excellent substance. Robust grower, dense foliage, no disease. Smallenberg (1 pl 2 yrs 3' BC): Shell pink, slightly deeper reverse, perfect exhibition form, excellent taffeta-like substance, long lasting 5-5.5" blooms on medium length stems. My current favourite, exceptional bedding/show/cutting variety, would have a bed of it if I had space. One of the best in recent years even with very little fragrance. No disease. Wood (1 pl 2 yrs 2.5' BC): Bloom has classic exhibition form, many petalled and pointed, but too few and too pale for me. Others rave so it gets another year. Disease free. Yeomans (1 pl 2 yrs 3' BC): Bushy plant may yet produce great blooms but has not done so for me up to now, disappointing so far.

SELFRIDGES (BEROLINA in Europe), HT (Kordes '84). DY (dy), amber yellow, 35 petals. Armstrong (1 pl 1 yr 2' NS): Well formed light yellow bloom, fragrant. Upright grower, no disease. Due to a very dry season I withhold comments for the present. Baillie (1 pl 1 yr 30" ON): Medium size bloom, not too exciting, good plant - will watch. Very good foliage, no disease. Dyck (1 pl 2 yrs 5' BC): Smallish blooms but lots of them, never without, occasionally very good form. Introduced in honor of 750th anniversary of Berlin and much praised in Europe. Bushy strong grower, lots of mildew, hardiness fair. Heaslip (1 pl 2 yrs 6' BC): Deep yellow 6" bloom, fades to pale yellow as it ages, exhibition form with beautifully reflexed petals. Tall slender grower, no disease. Lacroix (2 pls 3 yrs 6' QC): Large high centred exhibition blooms on very long straight and strong stems, very good substance, profuse bloomer in Spring but poor repeat. Very tall grower, outstanding foliage, no disease, hardiness excellent. Langlois (11 pls 3 yrs 6+' BC): Excellent high centred form, a real show rose with beautiful recurved petals, very good substance. One of the most prolific bloomers, every bloom cycle is excellent throughout the year. A spectacular sight in bloom, best yellow yet! No disease. Pearson (2 pls 3 yrs BC): Rich yellow colour in marine climate, exhibition form, excellent substance, very nice rose. Normal height in Vancouver 4-5' but autumn canes can reach 10', wow! Disease resistant. Shewchuk (1 pl 1 yr 3' AB): 5" exhibition form bloom, good substance, lots of bloom, good repeat, very fragrant. Will repeat if it

winters well. Light mildew infection. Stedman (1 pl 4 yrs 6' PE): A very hardy, tall, upright growing medium yellow, good size exhibition blooms, classic form with reflexing petals, weather resistant. Dozens of early blooms on long straight canes, best growth of all my roses, said to be better in maritime climate. Healthy foliage. So hardy it must have antifreeze in its canes. Thompson (1 pl 1 yr BC): They love this in Portland Oregon but I'm not sure, tendency to mildew, gave it extra 'one on one' spraying to cope. Medium length buds open slowly to pleasant yellow blooms, average substance but on small side with irregular outer edges. Something seems to be missing but giving it the benefit of my doubts, will keep for another year. It's now sending a 6' cane even higher, an apparent renegade. More on the big yellow 'B' next year. Yeomans (2 pls 1-2 yrs 5-6' BC): Yellow, lighter outer petals. Tall plant producing exhibition type large yellow blooms, will give 'Goldsmith' a run for its money. Getting another one. Quite good production, healthy. (Last year for reporting this rose).

SENATOR BURDA (VICTOR HUGO)(DREAMS COME TRUE), HT (Meilland '88) [{Karl Herbst x (Royal Velvet x Suspense)} x Erotica]. (dr), deep red. Baillie (1 pl 3 yrs 40" ON): Good high centred form, a smallish bloom but prolific, very good substance. Good especially in the Fall. Upright grower, very strong and thorny, dark green foliage, no disease, very hardy. Brown (1 pl 1 yr 3' BC): Decorative form, good substance, opens quickly to a large blowsy bloom. Bushy growth habit, good foliage, no disease. Cadsby (2 pls 1 yr 18" ON): Very showy bloom, potential exhibition form, good substance, good perfume, a promising addition to red HTs. Upright grower, no disease. Lacroix (2 pls 2 yrs 4' QC): Large bloom, excellent high centred exhibition form with ruffled petals, opens fast but lasts very well, strong stems, very good substance, intense fragrance. Better planted by itself as bloom cycle is 2 weeks later than most. Spreading growth habit, formidable thorns, no disease, hardiness excellent.

SHEER BLISS, HT (Warriner '85) (White Masterpiece x Grand Masterpiece). W (w), white with pink centre, 35 petals, Japan GM '84, AARS '87. Baillie (1 pl 1 yr 30" ON): High centred form, good substance, sparse bloomer, doesn't like rain. Will watch for another year. No disease. Blyth (2 pls 2 yrs 4' ON): Excellent high centred bloom, good substance, not a true white to me, spots badly in rain. No disease. Needs winter protection more than most. Cadsby (2 pls 2 yrs 3' ON): Charming decorative form bloom, good substance, long lasting when cut but don't cut too early especially in wet weather, or it won't open. Quite like this rose, think it's a different white! No disease, hardiness good. Decker (3 pls 4 yrs 4' AK): Exhibition form, fair substance, quite a lot of pink in centre and edges. My plants seem to be deteriorating, only one plant remains worthwhile, others have flimsy stems. Still a nice colour. Sparse distinctively narrow foliage, mildews somewhat. Dickey (1 pl 1 yr 4.5' ON): Exhibition form large double

bloom, singles, fair repeater. Resembles 'Great Century' but doesn't come up to it in shape or colour, perhaps will be better 2nd year. Mildews. Gee (1 pl 1 yr 4' BC): Pleasant colour, creamy pink for me. Attractive bud but loses form soon, only average form in long run, didn't have good late blooms to judge petal count from, fragrant. Strong vigourous growth habit, medium green foliage, rust in late Fall. Kopecky (3 pls 3-4 yrs 4' NE): High centred exhibition form, very good substance. Whites and yellows are hard to winter in Nebraska, 'Sheer Bliss' seems not to mind the weather. Excellent all round rose, one of the better whites in commerce today. Some blackspot, hardiness excellent. Langlois (18 pls 5 yrs 5+' BC): Excellent high centred form, excellent substance, wonderful fragrance, one of the best for an abundance of perfect blooms. Foliage a bit sparse, no disease. Mychaluk (1 pl 3 yrs tall AB): Very pretty bloom, exhibition form, excellent substance, one to a stem, good repeat. Everything about this is big, stems are a good metre long even in Calgary, blooms as big as my fist. No disease, hardiness excellent. Ouellette (1 pl 3 yrs 4' QC): High centred exhibition form, very good substance, sensitive to rain, balls and spots, very few if any late season repeats. Plant isn't ready to give up the ghost but will be axed this Fall, must be the laziest bush I've ever grown, sulks all summer, daring me to end its misery. Pearson (2 pls 3 yrs 4' BC): Beautiful blooms, large exhibition quality with nice high centred points, a winner. Will try 'own root' plants too. Tall upright grower. Raven (1 pl 4 yrs 2' AB): Decorative form, fair substance, in singles and clusters. Lots of balling on this one, will likely be dug up. If you get a nice bloom it's fantastic but I would say 80% aren't very good, will keep 'Pristine' any day over 'Sheer Bliss'. Some blackspot, winter protection needed. Semeniuk (2 pls 3 yrs 40" BC): Petals are delicate soft porcelain pink, even colour throughout bloom. Exhibition form with high pointed centres, fine substance. Medium size blooms on nice stems, ideal for bench and arrangements. Singles, blooms early, good repeat, lasts well, pleasing fragrance. Bushy grower, no disease, survived with winter protection. Shewchuk (1 pl 5 yrs 3.5' AB): Creamy white tinged with pink, 4-5" exhibition form bloom, very good substance, good repeat, fragrant. Don't like its lanky growth habit, discarded 2 bushes. Hardy with proper protection. Stanton (1 pl 3 yrs 3' ON): Large exhibition form bloom, excellent substance, repeats well. It waited until July to show up the first year, responds marvellously to over feeding and lots of water but not much without either. Healthy but not very vigourous, no disease, not very hardy. Yeomans (1 pl 4 yrs BC): Badly damaged by cold this last winter, not good enough to replace - OUT.

SHEER ELEGANCE, HT (Twomey '89) (Pristine x Fortuna). (o-p), soft pink/salmon edges, 32 petals, AARS '91. Archibald (1 pl 1 yr 28" SK): Large very double bloom, could be exhibition, excellent substance. Possibly will be a better performer another year, blooms were somewhat mushy at times. Attractive foliage, no disease. Beattie (1 pl 1 yr 39" MB): Attractive bud,

large salmony-pink bloom, slightly ruffled edge, open form, excellent substance, holds colour well, bloom holds indoors or outdoors. The name tells it all, everyone should have one, it's a must! Exceptional dark green leathery foliage, no disease. Brown (2 pls 1 yr 3' BC): First blooms were excellent, exhibition form, good substance, looks like a winner. Medium grower, good foliage, no disease. Cochran (3 pls 3 yrs CA): Beautiful breath-taking blooms are winning top awards, and so appropriately named. Colour is delicate, soft pink coral suffused pale salmon, non-fading, long stems supporting bloom. Up there with 'Touch of Class'. Robust plants, dark green disease resistant foliage. Decker (1 pl 1 yr 3' AK): Pleasant colour combination, exhibition form, good substance, stingy bloomer first year, will hope for improvement. Upright grower but short, shiny healthy reddish foliage. Duskin (2 pls 2 yrs 3.5' OR): Classic high centred bloom, excellent substance, good production. Two good AARS winners in one year - WOW! Outstanding, far surpasses 'Touch of Class' in disease resistance and ability to open in the cold and dampness, will add several more. Plentiful thick foliage. Heaslip (1 pl 1 yr BC): Perfectly formed exhibition blooms, soft pink and coral, unlike one of its parents 'Touch of Class' it shuns mildew. It truly is 'Sheer Elegance'. Robust upright grower, no disease. Lacroix (1 pl 1 yr 3' QC): Excellent form, perfect pointed centres, at its best 3/4 open, outstanding substance, good long stems, very floriferous, light fragrance, long lasting on bush and when cut. Excellent choice for AARS. No disease. Lawrence (1 pl 2 yrs 3-4' BC): Pointed bud, medium size bloom, good colour and nice shape, good substance. Large shiny foliage, some blackspot. McKenzie (3 pls 1 yr 2.5' ON): Non fading exhibition form bloom, excellent substance, musky fragrance, love its strong stems. Requires special attention to control mildew. Pickett (1 pl 1 yr 30" MB): A beautiful pink bloom, excellent for rose bowls, excellent substance, colour and form last very well as cut flowers. Disease resistant. Raven (1 pl 1 yr 2' AB): Nice pointed buds open into large very high centred blooms when semi-open then opening up. Gorgeous blooms but hopefully next year there will be a lot more of them. No disease, winter protection needed. Schneider (1 pl 1 yr MB): Lovely blooms, nice shading of colour, seemed to be continously in bloom but only a few at a time, hoping for more next year. Dark green leathery foliage, no disease. Shewchuk (2 pls 1 yr 2' AB): 4.5-5" non-fading bloom, exhibition show quality, long straight stems, musky fragrance, prolific, quick repeat, worth increasing. No disease. Thompson (1 pl 1 yr BC): Pencil-point centres with rare exceptions, abundant soft coral blossoms, good substance, ethereal translucence in sunlight, opens in rain with minimum spot damage, a few days of sun and the inner glow is up camouflaging the damage. Leaves are elephantine, not totally in keeping with the perfect perky bloom which can appear somewhat stranded high above the leaf line.

SHREWSBURY SHOW, HT (Fryer int '88 NR). (dr). Brown (1 pl 1 yr 2.5' BC): Small double decorative form bloom, similar to 'National Trust',

good substance. Medium growth habit, good foliage, no disease.

SILK HAT, HT (Christensen '86) [Ivory Tower x (Night 'n Day x Plain Talk)]. MB (m), red purple/cream reverse, 45 petals. No reports.

SILVER SPOON, HT (Weeks '85) (Louisiana x unnamed seedling). M (m), light mauve, 35 petals. Langlois (5 pls 3 yrs 3' BC): Very slow opening, petals a bit fragile, spoiled by rain, has not produced well. Not a very good rose. Weak grower, sparse foliage.

SILVERADO, HT (Christensen '87) [(Ivory Tower x Angel Face) x Paradise]. MB (m), soft silver with pinkish-ruby tones/edged deeper, 35 petals. Cochran (4 pls 4 yrs 4.5-5' CA): Slender tapered buds develop into magnificent high pointed centres, perfect classic exhibition form, very good substance, borne mostly singly, few small sprays of 3 blooms, long stems. Exquisite rose, winning many awards in Shows. Upright spreading plant, disease resistant dark foliage.

SMOOTH LADY, HT (Davidson '86) [Smooth Sailing x {(Polly x Peace) x Circus}]. MP (mp). Dyck (1 pl 1 yr 4' BC): Beautiful noble bloom, perfect exhibition form, good substance, long lasting, not so many blooms the first year, hope for more next year. Upright bush, 100% thornless, shiny dark green foliage, no trace of disease.

SMOOTH VELVET, HT (Davidson '86) [Smooth Sailing x {Polly x Peace) x Circus)} x Freedom]. (dr). Chambers (1 pl 2 yrs 4.5' NS): Nondescript bloom, strong substance. Very disappointing the first year, improvement this year, but still not a good rose to waste space on. Tall erect grower, disease resistant, hardiness good with winter protection. Dyck (1 pl 1 yr 6' BC): Lots of dark red blooms but never one worth looking at, not a nice colour. Unattractive form, long lasting. Tall bushy grower, shiny dark green foliage, very healthy. This rose is 100% thornless. Will give it another year, maybe the flower will improve, everything else is perfect. Pelham (3 pls 1 yr 2-3' NS): Beautiful bloom, 'Smooth Velvet' is a good name. Form and substance OK, popular with viewers. Can't be sure of height due to pruning and cutting back for winter mounding. All HTs seemed very disease free this year, possibly helped by a very dry season.

SOLIDOR, HT (Meilland int '86 NR) [(Arthur Bell x Kabuki) x (Ambassador x King's Ransom)]. (my), deep lemon yellow. Langlois (1 pl 1 yr 3' BC): High centred form but a rather informal flower, not a spectacular rose thus far, good substance. Good grower, dense foliage, no disease.

SOPHIA, HT (Weddle '88 int '87). (pb). No reports.

STEPHENS' BIG PURPLE, HT (Pat Stephens, Sam McGredy '85 int '86) (Unnamed seedling x Purple Splendor). (m), purple, 35 petals. Arberry (1 pl 1 yr 4' BC): Large double exhibition type bloom, substance very good, some singles, keeps well after cutting, very fragrant. Will be getting more for next year. Very vigourous grower, bright green foliage, no disease. Brown (2 pls 3 yrs 4' BC): Large double bloom, can be exhibition, fair substance, very fragrant. A good garden rose with the odd exhibition bloom. Tall bushy grower, large foliage, no disease. Kopecky (1 pl 1 yr 3' NE): Mauve, almost purple, sometimes exhibition, very good substance. Saw this rose in the Stephens' yard in New Zealand. Colour was most unusual and bloom extremely large, huge bush, mine doesn't even compare. I knew Pat Stephens and his charming wife Paddy, having met them at World Rose Conventions. The rose is a tribute to a gentle and good man, only hope it comes somewhere near what I saw down under. No disease this year. Lacroix (2 pls 3 yrs 5' QC): Decorative form, can be exhibition, fair substance, needs to be protected from intense sun as it burns. Long stems, good flower production. Intense fragrance makes this rose worth keeping. Very vigourous grower, no disease. Mychaluk (1 pl 1 yr tall AB): Colour almost red at times, can be exhibition, good substance, good amount of bloom on long stems. Has been a good rose for me and I'd give it good ratings. Vigourous grower, no disease noted. Williams (1 pl 2 yrs 3.5' BC): Pretty good form, globular not high centred. Can get very large if disbudded, I prefer sprays. Dark red/purple, not mauve, striking colour, I like it but not to everyone's taste. Older blooms look a bit cabbagey and faded, can get a bit blowsy looking. Very vigourous plant, disease resistant.

SUMMER DREAM, HT (Warriner '86 int '87) (Sunshine x unnamed seedling). LP (ab), apricot pink, 30 petals, J&P ROTY '87. Decker (1 pl 5 yrs 4' AK): A nice colour, decorative form, good substance, not rain resistant. Spreading growth habit, weak necks, mildews badly. Gee (1 pl 1 yr 3' BC): Refreshing colour, peach/apricot. Double moderately full bloom, pleasing high centred form, good substance, little fragrance. Strong upright grower, medium green abundant foliage, a little blackspot and mildew in late Fall.

SUNBRIGHT, HT (Warriner '84) (Unnamed seedling x New Day). MY (my), sulphur yellow, 28 petals. Lacroix (1 pl 4 yrs 4' QC): Loose decorative form, opens fast, fair substance, outstanding flower production, always in bloom. Doesn't like intense heat, best in Spring or Fall, easy to grow. Spreading growth, habit, very good foliage, no disease, hardiness excellent. Semeniuk (1 pl 2 yrs 42" BC): 4" bloom, decorative form, good centres, good solid substance, clear clean buttercup yellow colour, does not fade. Early bloomer and last to quit in Fall, prolific, lasts well, good garden variety. Would like another plant. Upright vigourous growth habit, shiny dark green foliage, no disease, froze one year. (Last year for reporting this rose).

SUNNYBROOK, HT (Delbard '87 int '88 NR). MY (my), 35-40 petals. Boyce (1 pl 4 yrs 4.5' ON): Cream to daffodil yellow at base of petals, shading to deep cream tips, slightly tinged with apricot in cool weather. Long pointed bud, classic exhibition form, substance good to excellent, singles, fair number of them, excellent repeat early July to frost. Long lasting cut flower with long stem, sometimes slightly lemon scented. A lovely rose, my favourite in my garden. Strong vigourous well branched growth habit, large round smooth dull green foliage, resistant to blackspot, prone to aphid attacks, hardiness good, no protection required so far.

SUNSATION (VELDFIRE), HT (Kordes '87) [(Bengali x Uwe Seeler) x Cocktail '80]. OB (ob), glowing apricot to orange, 45 petals, Sheridan's 75th Anniversary Rose. Blyth (2 pls 3 yrs 4' ON): Stunning colour catches attention, high centred form, excellent substance. First plants were weak, replaced them and have great growth and super blooms. Strong grower, dark green foliage, no disease, hardy. Bryant (1 pl 3 yrs 4-5' ON): Beautiful colour, glowing orange, exhibition form, good substance, an outstanding rose - try one! Tall grower, no disease, hardiness good. Heaslip (1 pl 2 yrs 5' BC): 5" bloom with glowing warm shades of gold, apricot and orange, always looks like the sun is shining on it, even when it's raining. Rather flat form, good substance. Tall slender growth habit, dark green foliage, will mildew unless sprayed. Jubien (3 pls 3 yrs 3' QC): Semi double decorative bloom, good substance. This rose is not nearly as good as it was the 1st year. I think perhaps I'm having some trouble with tree roots. Vigourous grower, good textured foliage, no disease, hardiness fine. Lacroix (1 pl 2 yrs 4' 4' QC): High centred exhibition form blooms with long stems, not many singles, mostly large clusters. Should be a Grandiflora where it would have 'perfect' sprays. Outstanding colour and over all bush appearance. No disease, hardiness excellent. Laidlaw (1 pl 1 yr 5.5' ON): Fluorescent orange and yellow colour is very hard and obvious, not my favourite. Exhibition form, good substance, mostly candelabra and singles. Saw this in London and had to have it but mine not as good although it took 'Best in Show' (other than red) locally in June, hope it improves next year. Blackspot and mildew. Stanton (1 pl 3 yrs 5' ON): Large double bloom, exhibition form, excellent substance, some clusters. Improves with age, better colour, better growth. Tall vigourous grower, shiny dark foliage, disease resistant, hardiness good. Wood (2 pls 1 yr BC): Bright colourful bloom, good form, needs lots of disbudding for exhibition form. Foliage scarce, some mildew.

SWEETWATERS, HT (McGredy '87 int '86) [{(Sympathie x Red Lion) x Pharoah} {Tombola x {Elizabeth of Glamis x (Cucos x Golden Fleece)} x Ferry Porsche]. MP (mp). No reports.

TEQUILA SUNRISE (BEAULIEU), HT (Dickson '88 int '89) (Bonfire Night x Freedom). (rb), yellow with touches of scarlet towards petal edges,

40 petals, RNRS GM '89. Cochran (3 pls 2 yrs 3.5-4' CA): Beautiful long buds, brilliant yellow tinged with bright red, open into flashy golden exhibition form blooms at 3/4 stage. When fully open decorative stamens are wild and beautiful. Can be Show quality if cut early, perfect long stems. This rose really gets attention from the public, especially the arrangers. I love it. Strong branching grower, dark leathery foliage, no disease. Flood (2 pls 1 yr 2' ON): Small confused blooms, not attractive, blooms hang on to bush looking ugly, slow to repeat (thank goodness). Healthy bushy plant. Chances are I won't keep it, give it one more year.

THRILLER, HT (Bridges '86) (Lady X x Flaming Beauty). (pb), pink/edged red. No reports.

TINO ROSSI, HT (Meilland int '90 NR) [Pink Panther x (Dream x Jardins de Bagatelle)]. (mp), neyron pink, 50-55 petals, Bagetelle Fragrance Medal '89. Langlois (1 pl 1 yr 3' BC): Large high centred bloom, good substance, one per stem, very quick repeat. Unusually fragrant, perfumes a whole room. Strong grower, dense foliage, no disease.

TOUCH OF CLASS (MARECHAL LE CLERC), HT (Michael Kriloff '84) [Micaela x (Queen Elizabeth and Romantica)] PB (o-p), medium pink shaded coral & cream, 35 petals, AARS '86, Portland GM '88. Archibald (1 pl 1 yr 30" SK): Medium to large bloom, decorative form, good substance, not too much bloom so far. Medium to tall grower, good foliage but sparse, no disease. Brisbane (1 pl 2 yrs 3.5' BC): Beautiful high centred exhibition form bloom, incredible substance (best of all my roses), holds colour until petals finally drop, mostly singles, continuous bloomer. Lovely as one bloom in a tall bud vase in the living room. Vigourous branching growth habit, glossy dark green foliage, no disease this year. R. Bryant (1 pl 2 yrs 4-5' ON): Outstanding blooms, exhibition form, great substance. This is it! Has everything, show winner, get one - you will love it. No disease, hardiness very good. Cadsby (2 pls 3 yrs 3' ON): A superb rose, I love it. Gorgeous exhibition form, good substance. Branching growth habit, no disease, very hardy. Chambers (1 pl 2 yrs 3' NS): Long pointed buds of deep coral red open into blooms of classic exhibition form, strong substance. Resembles 'Tiffany'. This rose has bloomed continuously throughout the growing season, holds well in adverse weather conditions. Upright bushy grower, no disease, hardy with winter protection. Decker (2 pls 4 yrs 4.5' AK): Beautiful bloom, one of the best for exhibition, heavy substance, but becomes a blob in the rain. Sparse unhealthy foliage, mildews badly. Kopecky (4 pls 3-4 yrs 4' NE): All roses should be this good, every bloom high centred, excellent substance, slow opening - take the judges' breath away. Have seen more 'Queens' of 'Touch of Class' than any other variety the past two years. Some blackspot, hardiness excellent. Lacroix (4 pls 6 yrs 4' QC): Outstanding high centred exhibition form and substance, long stiff stems, excellent all purpose

rose, does best in partial shade, but not a favourite as it has many faults, size being one of them. Still prefer 'Keepsake', better for exhibition. Excellent foliage, no disease, hardiness excellent. Laidlaw (1 pl 1 yr 5' ON): Clear coral with pink and cream shading for me. Medium size, a few exhibition blooms, good substance, not nearly enough blooms and poor repeat, still very lovely. Hope for better performance next year when established. Some blackspot and mildew. Langlois (7 pls 4 yrs 4' BC): A temperamental rose, can be very beautiful with good form and substance, opens nicely. Strong grower, will mildew. Mychaluk (1 pl 3 yrs tall AB): Classic HT form, usually in singles, prolific and good repeat, probably one of the best pink blends we've had in last decade. Name is perfect because this rose is a classy lady. Tall vigourous grower, no disease, hardiness good. Ouellette (2 pls 2 yrs 4' QC): Long lasting, large pointed exhibition form bloom, very good substance, colour always 'mouthwatering' like ice cream. Not a good producer of blooms but at least one good flush a season, worth waiting for, then 'farewell' in September. Good for arrangements. Some mildew, hardiness good. Raven (1 pl 2 yrs 2.5' AB): Apricot pink with pinky cream at base, fades nicely as it ages, nice pointed buds, exhibition form bloom, in singles and clusters. Seems to need a couple of years to get established, did better this year than last but think it could do even better. No disease, winter protection needed. Shewchuk (1 pl 6 yrs 3' AB): Attractive 4-5" exhibition form bloom, good substance, good repeat. Large dark glossy foliage, no disease, hardy with proper protection. Stedman (2 pls 3 yrs 4' & 2' PE): Super classic exhibition bloom, always seem a few days late for local rose shows, would like a few more blooms, long lasting on bush or as cut flower, top show rose. Some blackspot. (Last year for reporting this rose).

TROJAN VICTORY, HT Kordes '86) (Unnamed seedling and Uwe Seeler). DR (dr), rich deep red, 50 petals. No reports.

VALENCIA (KORDES' ROSE VALENCIA), HT (Kordes int '89 NR) (Jana x Whisky Mac). (ab), copper yellow, 36 petals, Durbanville GM '89, Edland Medal for Fragrance '89. Cochran (2 pls 2 yrs 4.5-5' CA): Dark golden yellow, golden amber reverse. I'm impressed with overall performance, lovely bud opens into beautiful exhibition bloom, excellent substance, very fragrant. My test plants froze last winter, thrilled they grew back and bloomed. Upright branching growth habit, dark green leathery foliage, no disease. Heaslip (1 pl 1 yr 3' BC): Unusual yellowish apricot colour, very large exhibition form bloom, good substance, strong fragrance. Compact grower, no disease. Laidlaw (1 pl 1 yr 3.5' ON): Glowing amber colour fades to pale amber, large double perfect exhibition blooms but not enough of them, excellent substance. Love the colour and fragrance, hopefully more bloom when better established. Slight blackspot.

VELVET FRAGRANCE, HT (Fryer '88) (Deep Secret x Fragrant Cloud).

(dr), 50 petals, Edland Medal for Fragrance '87. Smallenberg (1 pl 3 yrs 5' BC): Velvety crimson, similar to 'Papa Meilland'. Beautiful high centred bloom at 1/3 open then often takes on OGR look. Love it for its rich fragrance. Not rain tolerant and edges burn in heat, perhaps not good in coastal climate but it is so healthy looking. Large leathery foliage. Yeomans (1 pl 2 yrs 4' BC): Untidy mops of blooms of a dark plum red, unusual fragrance. Upright plant, healthy, but not my type.

VOODOO, HT (Christensen '84) [{(Camelot x First Prize) x Typhoo Tea and Lolita}]. OB (ob), 35 petals, AARS '86. Arberry (3 pls 3 yrs 3-4' BC): Double bloom, a lot of confused centres, fair substance. After last year I'm disappointed, however due to the poor weather this year will wait and see if it rebounds next year. Mostly singles, fair repeat. No disease. Raven (1 pl 4 yrs 3' AB): Fluorescent orange to red blend - it glows! Love the colour but it could produce more blooms and they fade very quickly. Decorative form, excellent substance, borne singly, repeat is not excellent. Shiny green foliage, no disease, winter protection needed. Thompson (1 pl 2 yrs BC): The glistening foliage and then the sensational tall-centred blooms! Mine, after a serious winter buffeting, came back to enchant again and again. No problems. (Last year for reporting this rose).

WESTERN SUNLIGHT, HT (Davidson '89) [{(Honey Favorite x Irish Mist) x (San Francisco x Prima Ballerina)} x Just Joey]. (ab). Heaslip (1 pl 1 yr 3' BC): Pastel sunset colours, colour makes it look delicate but it is not. Exhibition form, good substance but very few blooms first year. Slight growth habit, small glossy medium green foliage, no disease.

WHITE DELIGHT, HT (Warriner '89) (White Masterpiece x Futura). (w), ivory white, 30 petals. Flood (3 pls 3 yrs 3' ON): Colour very similar to 'Pascali', shows strong hints of pink in Fall. Exhibition type bloom, did not do as well this year, not the bloom production I saw last year. Repeats quickly, slight fragrance. Bush is vigourous, no disease. Lacroix (1 pl 1 yr 4' QC): White with pinkish apricot shading, very large bloom, some perfect exhibition form but mostly decorative, excellent substance, good flower production with good repeat, slight spicy fragrance. Excellent garden variety, lasts very well on plant. Excellent foliage, no disease. Lawrence (1 pl 1 yr 2.5-3' BC): Pointed bud, not too full bloom, some fragrance. Both this rose and 'City of London' next to it were almost defoliated by blackspot and downy mildew in September but now have disease-free leaves and look healthy. Medium height plant, not bushy. Shewchuk (1 pl 2 yrs 2.5' AB): 5" exhibition bloom, good substance, good repeat, fragrant. Upright compact grower, matte medium green foliage, no disease, hardy with proper protection.

WHITE SUCCESS, HT (Jelly '85) (Bridal Pink x unnamed seedling). W (w), 55 petals, greenhouse variety. No reports.

WORLD PEACE, HT (A. Perry '87 int '89) (First Prize x Gold Glow). PB (pb), pink suffused with cream/yellow base, 28-35 petals. Arberry (1 pl 1 yr 3' BC): Some exhibition blooms but mostly confused centres, fair substance. A nice rose but no fragrance, not what I anticipated from reports in the American Rose Magazine. Vigourous grower, nice shiny foliage, no disease. Kopecky (2 pls 1 yr 3' NE): Yellow blend? Sometimes exhibition, very good substance, performed well for a first year plant. Looks to have potential, next year will tell the tale if it survives our severe winter. No disease so far. Langlois (2 pls 1 yr 4' BC): Good globular form, excellent substance, first year very large blooms but weak necks. Not yet a really attractive rose, opens too informally so far. No disease to date. Raven (1 pl 1 yr 2.5' AB): Attractive pink and cream bloom, decorative form, good substance, needs another year to assess. Upright grower, medium green foliage, no disease, needs winter protection.

ZITRONENJETTE, HT (Kordes '87 int '86) (Sutters Gold x Sunblest). MY (my), lemon yellow, Baden-Baden GM. No reports.

GRANDIFLORAS

DESIGNER'S CHOICE (HI TEEN), Gr (DeVor Nursery '89). (yb). No reports.

LAGERFELD (STARLIGHT), Gr (Christensen '85) [Blue Nile x (Ivory Tower x Angel Face)]. M (m), silvery lavender, 30 petals. No reports.

PRIMA DONNA, Gr (Takeshi Shirakawa '84) [(Unnamed seedling x Happiness) x Prominent]. DP (dp), deep fuchsia pink, 35-40 petals, AARS '88. Kopecky (2 pls 1 & 3 yrs 4.5' NE): Mostly exhibition blooms, excellent substance, one to a stem making it a 'must have' when showing single bloom Gr's. Will always be in contention for best Gr in show, an excellent variety. Very tall grower, no disease so far, hardiness very good. Semeniuk (1 pl 3 yrs 44" BC): Clear bright colour, attractive, medium size bloom, exhibition form with perfect high tight centres, good substance, singles, not prolific, nice fragrance. Lovely for arrangements, dark pink blends well with other colours. Love the variety, would like more. Upright grower, spindly bottom, blackspots a bit, hardiness good with protection. (Last year for reporting this rose).

PROUD MARY, Gr (J. Twomey '91) (Unnamed seedling x Royalty). (o-r), brilliant scarlet-red, 19-21 petals. Beattie (1 pl 1 yr 22" MB): Raggedy bloom, opens quickly, not elegant! Doesn't fade, slow repeat, fair substance. Disappointed, will remove. Upright grower, glossy dark green foliage, no disease. Pickett (1 pl 1 yr 30" MB): This is a very good rose, long lasting

blooms, excellent substance, good repeat. Good growth habit, dark green disease-resistant foliage. Schneider (1 pl 1 yr 24" MB): Good red, dark without the 'black' look, excellent substance, repeats well. Holds well in garden and when cut. After 4 days in a design at a flower show, blooms almost looked better than when they were entered. I love it. Low grower, no disease.

SHINING HOUR, Gr (Warriner '89 int '91) (Sunbright x Sun Flare). (dy), deep rich yellow, 35 petals, AARS '91. Decker (1 pl 1 yr 30" AK): Non-fading medium yellow, nice bright colour. Exhibition form, good substance, not as floriferous as the ads says, maybe it will improve with age. Was a stingy bloomer and short plant. Some mildew. McKenzie (1 pl 1 yr 3.5' ON): Bright yellow blooms, mostly flat form, good substance, extremely floriferous, poor scent. Upright grower, medium green foliage, no disease. Raven (1 pl 1 yr 2' AB): Exhibition bud, good substance, lots of attractive mid yellow blooms, borne singly, good repeat, little fragrance. Very spreading large bush, no disease, winter protection needed. Shewchuk (1 pl 1 yr 2' AB): 4.5" bloom, high centred exhibition form, good substance, very floriferous, showy garden rose. Medium low, upright dense bush, good vigour, lavish, healthy, medium green glossy foliage. Wood (1 pl 1 yr 4' BC): Gorgeous yellow bloom, disease resistant but needs more vigour for top marks.

TOURNAMENT OF ROSES, Gr (Warriner '88) (Impatient x seedling). MP (mp), coral pink, 35-40 petals, AARS '89. Arberry (1 pl 1 yr 3' BC): One of the best pink roses in my garden and my wife's favourite pink. Excellent form and substance, sprays of 12-15 blooms and always in bloom, some singles. Will be adding more next year. Very erect grower, very attractive foliage, no disease. Archibald (1 pl 2 yrs 24" SK): Best pink rose in years, one of my favourites. Exhibition form, excellent substance, very large very double bloom, both singles and clusters. Neat bush, no disease, hardiness good. Blyth (2 pls 2 yrs 5' ON): A very good rose that will appear on the winners' table quite often. Beautiful exhibition type bloom with attractive colour, good substance. Strong grower, no disease, hardiness good. Decker (1 pl 3 yrs 3.5' AK): Very different colour, medium pink with dusty orange pink centre, lighter pink outer petals. High centred bloom, exhibition potential, excellent substance, small clusters. Somewhat rain resistant but some mildew. Dyck (2 pls 1 & 2 yrs 3' BC): Small but beautifully formed blooms, good substance, medium pink with beige edges, beyond description and still my favourite pink rose. Lots of healthy foliage, hardiness fair. Gee (1 pl 1 yr 3.5' BC): Shell pink bloom, later ones salmon pink. Double very full bloom (40-50 petals), high centred exhibition form, excellent substance, dramatic blossoming in summer. Strong vigourous grower, dark green foliage, disease resistant but blackspot in late Fall. Heaslip (1 pl 2 yrs 4' BC): Soft pink, reverse darker, petals darker shade in Fall. Prolific, have had

sprays with as many as 20 blooms, good substance. Crisp dark green foliage. No disease. Lacroix (2 pls 3 yrs 3' QC): Why not a Floribunda where it would be a killer on exhibition table. Decorative form, outstanding substance, excellent cultivar, above average flower production. Very vigourous plant, no disease, hardiness excellent. Langlois (1 pl 3 yrs standard BC): A smaller bloom, flat form, unusual colour but very attractive, good substance, prolific and extremely long lasting. Dense foliage, no disease. Raven (1 pl 3 yrs 1.5' AB): Attractive aristocratic pale pink! Rather small for a Grandiflora, sometimes the stems can't hold the blooms up, mostly singles, think it should be classified a Floribunda. No disease, winter protection needed. Shewchuk (3 pls 3 yrs 2.5' AB): 4" double bloom, light pink on edges, darker towards the centre, fade resistant, stands rain well, long lasting, most come one to a stem. No disease, needs proper winter protection. Stedman (1 pl 1 yr 2' PE); Small plant, department store purchase, exhibition form, very good substance, lovely two toned pink, weather resistant, holds well in heat. My small plant has had 2 dozen or so blooms, all perfect, nice sprays. Very impressed to date, looking forward to larger plant next year. Excellent healthy foliage. Williams (3 pls 1-2-3 yrs, 3.5-4' BC): Lovely soft peach/coral pink colour, fading paler. Double blooms, exhibition form, excellent substance, very floriferous and plenty of repeat bloom, great for cutting. The best all round rose in my garden, blooms in large clusters and with longer stems like a HT. Good disease resistance, some damage last winter.

WAIHEKE (WAIKIKI), Gr (McGredy '86, int '87) (Tony Jacklin x Young Quinn). (pb), pink & cream bicolour, AARS '88. Baillie (1 pl 2 yrs 40" ON): Very pleasant colour, attractive frilled blooms, very eye catching, blooms continuously. Upright grower, good foliage, no disease. Decker (1 pl 3 yrs 42" AK): More of a salmon and cream colour here, frilled on edges, distinctive decorative form, good substance, in large clusters of 5" blooms, a nice rose. Upright grower, shiny foliage, some mildew.

WINNING COLORS, Gr (J. Twomey '89) (Gingersnap x Marina). (ob), 50 petals. Andrich (1 pl 2 yrs 18" MB): Very attractive plant, buds and blooms are beautiful, excellent substance, almost always in bloom. I love it indoors or out, look for great things with this rose. Upright dense growth habit, glossy dark foliage, no disease, hardiness good with proper protection. Biddulph (1 pl 2 yrs 15" MB): Strong stems hold upright blooms which seem to last forever, excellent substance, many blooms at a time. Suffered some setback when moved mid-July but kept blooming. Not specimen show quality, opens too fast and too wide, but very prominent bush in any garden and a whole bed literally 'stops the traffic'. Foliage more showy than that of 'Peace'. Low bushy plant, no disease, hardiness good with protection. Pickett (4 pls 2 yrs 20" MB): Golden red blooms are about 3 inches wide, very good form, excellent substance, long lasting, continuous bloom

throughout the summer. Shiny dark green foliage, some blackspot, hardiness very good. Schneider (3 pls 2 yrs 20" MB): Outstanding red/yellow blend, full showy bloom, excellent substance, borne singly and in clusters, even both on same stem at times, holds well indoors or outdoors, great in garden and for flower arranging. No disease, hardiness good with protection. Shewchuk (2 pls 2 yrs 2' AB): Ob turning to yb, colour quickly gets your attention, does not fade easily. 2-2.5" bloom, good substance, long lasting, lots of bloom, good repeat. Neat upright bush, new foliage reddish then glossy medium green, no disease, hardy with proper protection.

FLORIBUNDAS

AMBER QUEEN, F (Harkness '83 int '84) (Southampton x Typhoon). AB (ab), amber yellow, 40 petals, Genoa GM '86, ROTY '84, AARS '88, The Hague Fragrance Medal. Arberry (1 pl 2 yrs 2-3' BC): Light amber, double bloom, good form and substance. Last year this rose was a knockout, this year it is mediocre, possibly the bad summer we had. Will give it another year to shape up. Bushy upright grower, dark green foliage, no disease. Boyce (1 pl 1 yr 1.25' ON): Double 2.5" bloom, decorative cupped shape, excellent substance, some fragrance. Two blooms, finally, in October but they were worth the wait. For landscape use. Shiny olive green foliage, no disease. Brisbane (1 pl 2 yrs 2' BC): Soon after the first flush it deteriorated rapidly, losing almost all its leaves (not blackspot). In desperation I cut it back to about 4 inches and in three weeks it was back to normal, bloomed continuously until frost. True amber for me, frilly decorative blooms, very uniform in size and long lasting, lovely fragrance. Decker (1 pl 1 yr 2' AK): More gold than apricot here, decorative form, good substance, exceptional fragrance, in small clusters. Good garden variety, more mild weather this year. Shiny olive green foliage, some mildew. Freeman (2 pls 4 yrs 2' ON): Frilly flat form, good substance, excellent repeat. Great Floribunda for front of bed, eye catching. Low grower. Kopecky (1 pl 2 yrs 2.5' NE): Sometimes exhibition, very good substance. Another yellow that survives in severe winter climate, abundant bloom all season, trusses large, long lasting. A very good rose for me so far, short stems make it hard to show. No disease noted, hardiness excellent. Lacroix (2 pls 2 yrs 1.5' QC): Strictly decorative form, very good substance, not very productive, clusters are few and far between, very fragrant. I'm not sure I like it all that much. Outstanding foliage, hardiness excellent. Langlois (3 pls 3 yrs 3' BC): Excellent form, good substance, excellent clusters but all plants have died over subsequent winters, too tender for me. No disease. McLean (1 pl 5 yrs 2' BC): Profuse amber blooms cover bed when at full bloom, 2" flowers in clusters, moderate scent. Nice bush, dense bright green foliage, no disease, hardiness good. Raven (1 pl 3 yrs 1.5' AB): Love the different butter yellow colour, in singles, fair lot of bloom, decorative form, good substance, slight fragrance. Rather short

spreading bush, no disease, winter protection needed. Shewchuk (2 pls 7 yrs 2' AB): 4.5" bloom, pleasant fragrance, good repeat, a showy Floribunda. No disease, hardy with proper protection. Stedman (1 pl 4 yrs 2.5' PE): Beautiful amber gold blooms, decorative form, very fragrant, in singles and sprays of 3-5, very nice Floribunda. Short grower, super foliage, hardiness average plus. Yeomans (1 pl 3 yrs 30" BC): Gold Medal at Genoa and Orleans. Blooms mostly one or two to a stem. Good repeat, healthy, would not be without it. (Last year for reporting this rose).

ARDS BEAUTY, F (Dickson '84 int '86) [(Eurorose x Whisky Mac) x Bright Smile]. MY (my), soft yellow, 20 petals, RNRS GM '83. No reports.

AVOCET, F (Harkness '83 int '84) (Dame of Sark x unnamed seedling). OB (ob), orange edged pink to copper, 13 petals. Flood (3 pls 7 yrs 5' ON): Semi double, well formed sprays, colour intense first day, fades and shatters quickly. Very difficult to show, looks great in the garden. Very vigourous grower, healthy. (Last year for reporting this rose).

BILL SLIM, F (Harkness '87 int '89) [(Highlight x Color Wonder) x {Fragrant Cloud x {Mischief x (Red Dandy x Buccaneer)}} x Silver Jubilee]. PB (pb). Flood (2 pls 2 yrs 3' ON): Outstanding medium red, almost the colour of summer tomatoes, so bright and cheery. Trusses of well formed blooms, repeats well, very fragrant. Excellent foliage, complements colour of the bloom well, no disease, winters well.

BLUE JAY, F (Delbard '91 int White Rose Nursery, Canada). (m). McGee (1 pl 1 yr 2' ON): Semi-double mauve, bluer than 'Blue Moon' but not as blue as 'Godfrey Wynn', reminiscent of 'Angel Face' but not quite as ruffled. Decorative form, good substance. Sturdy bush, susceptible to blackspot but immune to mildew.

BY APPOINTMENT, F (Harkness '89 int '90) (Anne Harkness x Letchworth Garden City). (ab), buff/apricot. Brown (1 pl 2 yrs 3' BC): Decorative form bloom in sprays of 10-15, good substance, very nice colour, good addition to any garden. Tall upright grower, good foliage, slight mildew. Cochran (2 pls 2 yrs 3.5' CA): Rich buff yellow/apricot shades combined into flashy gems, exhibition/garden form, good substance, quite floriferous, large perky sprays of 9-12 blooms, excellent for exhibiting, great garden colour. Strong healthy plant habit, no disease so far. Flood (2 pls 1 yr ON): Well formed tight blooms, excellent colour. Can't be fair to this rose, plants made poor start and never really got going. Will try to encourage more growth this year to evaluate better. No disease.

CHRISTINGLE, F (Harkness 85 int '87) (Bobby Dazzler x Alexander). OR (o-r), 35 petals. No reports.

CITY OF BRADFORD, F (Harkness '86) [(Manx Queen x Whisky Mac) x {(Highlight x Color Wonder) x (Parkdirector Riggers x Piccadilly)}]. OR (or), vermilion, 15 petals. Flood (1 pl 3 yrs 2' ON): Perfect Hybrid Tea blooms, great substance, sprays reasonably full, little fragrance. Colour is a strong unfading vermilion. I am not getting the kind of vigour from this cultivar that I expected. Good healthy foliage.

CITY OF LONDON, F (Harkness '86 int '88) (New Dawn x Radox Bouquet). LP (lp), blush pink, Le Roeulx GM '85. Duskin (2 pls 1 yr 4' OR): Very full bloom, beautiful light pink, in excellent large sprays, excellent substance, very floriferous, very fragrant. Outstanding this first year, really could be a Shrub. Tall vigourous grower, full deep green foliage, no disease. Flood (2 pls 3 yrs 9' ON): A perfect rose for a bride's bouquet, small, delicately shaped blooms, many to a stem, exquisite colour and perfume. Sounds perfect? But is it a Floribunda or is it a climber? Very vigourous and healthy, makes rose growing easy. Lawrence (1 pl 1 yr 2.5' BC): Cannot comment on size as I was away in UK at the Rose Show during its main flowering period. Good substance. Blackspot and downy mildew (very prevalent this year). Must be hardy to have survived a number of weeks out of the ground in cold weather on its way here. Wood (1 pl 2 yrs 3.5-4' BC): Darling little blooms on small trusses, you need 3 plants to make a good garden show. Leggy plant, disease resistant. Yeomans (1 pl 1 yr 42" BC): Another fine rose from Harkness, beautiful flowers of delicate colour, bushy healthy plant. Getting another.

CLASS ACT (FIRST CLASS)(WHITE MAGIC), F (Warriner '88) (Sunflare x seedling). W (w), 15-20 petals, AARS '89, Portland GM '89. Arberry (1 pl 1 yr 2' BC): Semi double blooms open to reveal attractive stamens, good substance, mostly in clusters. Slow to start but came on pretty well towards Fall. Quite abundant foliage, no disease, winter hardy. Boyce (1 pl 3 yrs 1' ON): Pure white with golden yellow stamens, 2.5-3" semi double bloom, decorative form, excellent substance, singles and clusters of 2s and 3s, sparse but good repeat. Exquisite flowers but growth is so poor I shall have to replace it. Decker (2 pls 2 yrs 2' AK): Semi double 4-5" decorative blooms, small clusters. Doesn't like rainy weather, have yet to get a vigourous plant. Shiny foliage, no disease. Dyck (3 pls 1-2 yrs 3' BC): Clearest white blooms and laden with them, semi-double, attractive form, very fast to repeat. Best as a tree. Very bushy grower, no disease, hardiness fair. Kopecky (2 pls 2 yrs 2.5' NE): Exhibition form, very good substance, second year plant giving excellent results, always in bloom. With 'Iceberg' makes a winning combination, wish bush was a little bigger. No disease noted, hardiness very good. Langlois (6 pls 3 yrs 3.5' BC): Very prolific, frequent repeat, large clusters. Attractive but flowers open a bit too fast and become flat, plan to replace it this year. Some blackspot, hardiness excellent. Mychaluk (1 pl 1 yr medium AB): Perfect rose, definitely a 'Class Act'. The colour changes

subtlety throughout the bloom although it's classified as a white. Gorgeous classic form, excellent substance, one to a stem, no sprays, cuts beautifully. Vigourous grower, clothed with well spaced foliage, no disease, hardiness excellent. Raven (1 pl 3 yrs 1.5' AB): Lots of nice white blooms with attractive stamens, decorative form, good substance but not much scent. Has done much better this year than last. No disease, winter protection needed. Semeniuk (1 pl 2 yrs 40" BC): Unusual colour, clear pale lemon for me, medium size bloom with perfect tight centres, opens slowly, fine substance. Some clusters, ideal for arrangements. Not an early riser in the Spring. Compact grower, no disease, needs winter protection. Shewchuk (3 pls 3 yrs 2' AB): 4" blooms in clusters, prolific, does well in rain, good repeat, fragrant. Looks good even when fully open, a good white Floribunda. Low neat bush, medium green glossy foliage, no disease, hardy with proper protection. Stedman (1 pl 3 yrs 2' PE): A nice white Floribunda, lovely at half open stage, blows quite quickly, better early in season. I prefer 'Iceberg'. Short grower, blackspots in September when it rains every 2-3 days. Would not replace. Yeomans (1 pl 1 yr 40" BC): Blooms are large, in small clusters, not particularly beautiful. Excellent bushy healthy plant, good producer, robust.

COCORICO, F (Meilland int '89) (Chaook x Coppelia '76). (yb), light yellow/bordered carmine pink, 10-13 petals. Rome GM '89, Monza GM '89, Bagatelle GM '89, Saverne GM '89, Baden-Baden GM '90. Langlois (1 pl 1 yr 5' BC): Cream edged cherry red, very showy rose. Semi double bloom, open form, excellent substance, large clusters. Very vigourous grower, very wide and tall, almost a Shrub rose. Dense foliage, no disease.

CONQUEROR'S GOLD, F (Harkness '86) (Amy Brown x Judy Garland). YB (yb), yellow/edged orange-red, 18 petals. Flood (3 pls 4 yrs 3' ON): Large blooms, cupped form, many to a stem, not much fragrance but what an interesting colour, starts out yellow/touches of pink, changes to orange. Many visitors to my garden comment on this rose. Healthy foliage, hardy.

DISCO DANCER, F (Dickson '84) (Coventry Cathedral x Memento). OR (o-r), orange scarlet, The Hague GM '82. Yeomans (1 pl 3 yrs 2' BC): Frilly orange single or semi double blooms, a real doll. Bushy healthy plant. (Last year for reporting this rose).

ETHEL AUSTIN, F (Fryer '84) (Pink Parfait x Redgold). (dp). Brown (1 pl 2 yrs 2.5' BC): Small, HT shape bloom, some clusters but mostly singles, good substance. An excellent new Floribunda form. Medium growth habit, good foliage, no disease. (Last year for reporting this rose).

FESTIVAL FANFARE (ST. JOHN OGILVIE), F (Ogilvie '88 int '86) (Sport of Fred Loads). (ob) striped, vermilion, 8-9 petals. Decker (1 pl 1 yr 3'+ AK): Unusual variegated single rose, more a salmon and cream blend

here, decorative form, fair substance, in large sprays, petals fall quickly. Tall grower, healthy foliage. Stedman (1 pl 1 yr 6' PE): 7-9 petals, if you like single striped roses maybe you should try this one. Very unusual, decorative bloom opens a light and darker pink, turning to white and crimson with yellow stamens, petals quill somewhat in heat. New plant had several single blooms, now (Oct. 4) two large sprays atop 5.5' canes, really quite impressive but is it hardy? Light fragrance.

FIRST KISS, F (Warriner '91). (pb), ivory/orchid pink. Dyck (1 tree 1 yr 2.5' BC): Big flat semi double blooms, abundant, good substance. Very healthy nice tree, lots of large dark green foliage, flowers look what the name suggests, like a kiss to a newborn baby - nice. Very bushy grower, no disease.

FRAGRANT GARDEN, F (Kordes int '84). MR (mr). Arberry (1 pl 2 yrs 3-4' BC): Large double bloom, decorative form, excellent substance, mostly in sprays of up to 8-10 blooms. I almost discarded this Spring, glad I didn't, continually in bloom and holds well when cut. Very bushy grower, glossy dark green foliage, no disease, winter hardy. Brown (1 pl 1 yr 2.5' BC): Sprays of 4-6 blooms, decorative form, good substance, looks very promising but fragrant? Bushy medium size plant, glossy foliage, no disease. Mychaluk (1 pl 2 yrs low AB): Probably would have had more bloom if my husband hadn't 'whipper snipped' the bush in early Spring. I like this Floribunda, gorgeous red, blooms hang on forever, good sprays and singles, excellent substance. Some blackspot if you don't spray, hardiness excellent. (Last year for reporting this rose).

GLAD TIDINGS (LUBECKER ROTSPON)(PETER WESSEL), F (Tantau '88 int '89) (Unnamed seedling x unnamed seedling). (dr), intense velvety crimson, ROTY '89 RNRS. Brown (2 pls 2 yrs 3' BC): Small double HT shape bloom, good substance, in clusters of 6 to 10, a real winner. I'm most impressed, have budded more for my garden. Medium size bushy grower, glossy foliage, no disease.

GOLDMARIE, F (Kordes '84) [(Arthur Bell x Zorina) x (Honeymoon x Dr. A.J. Verhage) x (Seedling x Sunsprite)]. DY (dy), deep yellow/red on reverse of outer petals, 35 petals. Morgan (1 pl 1 yr 3' BC): Clusters of single blooms, 2.5" across, rich yellow colour, exhibition form, good substance. A beautiful rose in the garden and I believe it will improve as it becomes established. Upright grower, medium green foliage, disease resistant. (Last year for reporting this rose).

GRACELAND, F (patio) (Kirkham int '89 NR). Coral/salmon. Thompson (1 pl 1 yr BC): Mine spent the summer in a large pot. First two flushes produced bright coloured well formed blooms, large for this variety. By third flush, blossoms became rumpled. On balance, I like its performance and

plan to give it a more permanent place in my garden.

H.C. ANDERSEN (HANS CHRISTIAN ANDERSEN)(AMERICA'S CHOICE), F (Olesen '87 int '86) (Royal Occasion x unnamed seedling). DR (dr). Freeman (1 pl 1 yr 4.5-5' ON): Decorative dark red blooms in huge trusses from Spring to hard frost, frilly form, good substance. A minimum of 10 blooms on the bush at all times, fantastic! On top of that, you don't have to winter protect it. Don't miss this one. Upright narrow bush.

HARKNESS MARIGOLD, F (Harkness '86) (Judy Garland x Anne Harkness). OB (ob), 35 petals. No reports.

HAROLD MACMILLAN, F (Harkness '88 int '89) (Avocet x Remember Me). (o-r). Flood (1 pl 2 yrs ON): Fairly full bloom, many to a stem, slow repeat. Did not get a good start so made little progress until the Fall, growth pattern the same as last year, very disappointing.

HARVEST FAYRE, F (Dickson '89) (Unnamed seedling x Bright Smile). (ob), orange/apricot, ROTY 1990 RNRS. Brown (1 pl 2 yrs 3' BC): Decorative form, good substance, sprays of 8-10 blooms, a nice rose and a great addition to the colour class. Medium bushy growth habit, good foliage, slight mildew. Wood (2 pls 1 yr 2.5-3' BC): Rich peach colour, medium size blooms in trusses, blooms late. Looks like a good one! Light green disease free foliage.

HEIDESOMMER (CEVENNES), F (Kordes '85) (The Fairy x seedling). W (w), 20 petals. No reports.

HIROSHIMA'S CHILDREN, F (Harkness '85). YB (yb), light yellow/edged pink, 35 petals. No reports.

ILLUMINATION, F (Pallek '86, NR). AB (ab), salmon/apricot. Wood (2 pls 1 yr 4-5' BC): Loosely cupped pale orange/salmon blooms on mid size trusses, great repeat, one of my favourites already. Disease resistant.

IMPATIENT, F (Warriner '82 int '84) (Climbing America x unnamed seedling). OR (o-r), 20-25 petals, AARS '84. Arberry (1 pl 2 yrs 2-3' BC): Lovely orange colour, decorative form, good substance, small clusters this year compared to last. Another rose which seemed to suffer from our bad summer. Vigourous grower, healthy foliage, winter hardy. Brisbane (1 bush 4 yrs 2.5' 1 tree 3 yrs 5' BC): Excellent Floribunda, particularly good in tree form, decorative form bloom, good substance, constant bloomer all season. Pruned tree severely in Spring, and pruned again after 1st flush of 50+ blooms. In full bloom 3 weeks later and continued until November. Bush floriferous too, and the bright orange-red of tree and bush bloom always

delights visitors to garden. No disease if sprayed regularly. Shewchuk (2 pls 6 yrs 2' AB): 3" very showy bloom, good substance, large sprays, long lasting, good repeat, slight fragrance, a good reliable Floribunda. Low neat bush, new foliage reddish, then dark and glossy, no disease, hardy with proper protection. Stedman (1 pl 3 yrs 2.5' PE): Brilliant orange-red Floribunda of good size, 3"-4", petals have frilled appearance, a lot of single blooms, sprays could be larger. Weather resistant, nice foliage. (Last year for reporting this rose).

INNER WHEEL, F (Fryer's Nursery '84) (Pink Parfait x Picasso). (pb), carmine/edged rose pink, 22 petals. Stedman (1 pl 3 yrs 1.5-3' PE): Hand painted variety, opens pink in heat, white with pink veining in cooler weather, good sprays, always some bloom. Spreading growth habit, much blackspot late in season, hardiness very good. (Last year for reporting this rose).

INTERNATIONAL HERALD TRIBUNE, F (mini flora) (Harkness '84 int '85) [Unnamed seedling x {(Orange Sensation x Allgold) x R. Calfornica}]. (m), violet-purple, 20 petals, Geneva GM. No reports.

INTRIGUE, F (Warriner '82 int '84) (White Masterpiece x Heirloom). M (m), reddish purple, 20 petals, AARS '84. Arberry (1 pl 2 yrs 3-3.5' BC): Exhibition type bloom, what few there were, slow to repeat, very fragrant. Will be replacing this Fall, may put it off by itself and see if it improves. Sparse growth, no disease, quite hardy. Blyth (1 pl 1 yr 30" ON): Very attractive, brightest purple on the market, good form and substance, plant covered with blooms. It takes a rest, then second flush is better than the first, not continuous. No disease, hardy. Lacroix (2 pls 6 yrs 3' QC): Beautiful when 1/4 to 1/2 open, dark streak in petals, burns in hot sun. Intense citrus fragrance keeps this ugly rose in my garden. Decorative form, average substance, good flower production and very vigourous. I always say I will toss it but for some reason it's still here. No disease, hardiness excellent. Porter (1 pl 3 yrs SK): Winter killed, only gave it minimal protection, should have had more. (Last year for reporting this rose).

JULIE CUSSONS, F (Fryer int '88 NR). (ob). Brown (1 pl 2 yrs 2.5' BC): Large decorative form bloom, good substance, in sprays of 4-6, very good colour. Pleased with performance so far. Bushy spreading growth habit, good foliage, no disease.

KORICOLE (NICOLE), F (Kordes '85) (Seedling x Bordure Rose). PB (pb), white/edged pink, 35 petals. Heaslip (1 pl 2 yrs 3.5' BC): Clusters of ruffled blooms, white edged dark pink (almost red), nice rounded sprays, good substance, good garden show. Compact grower, medium green foliage, no disease. Stedman (1 pl 4 yrs 3.5-4' PE): Excellent Floribunda, beautiful white blooms tipped red or pink depending on weather, looks great even in

full blown, lasts well on bush. Wouldn't be without it. Tall spreading grower, hardiness very good.

KORMETTER (TRIER 2000)(ANNA LIVIA)(SANDTON SMILE) F (Kordes '85) [(Seedling x Tornado) x seedling]. MP (o-p), Orleans GM '87. Brown (1 pl 2 yrs 2.5' BC): Double bloom, small HT form, good substance, in sprays of 5-10, an excellent new Floribunda that repeats well and is carefree. Bushy grower, large semi-glossy foliage, no disease.

LANCASHIRE LIFE, F (De Ruiter '84) (Robert Stoltz x Diablotin). OR (or), scarlet. No reports. (Last year for reporting this rose).

LAUGHTER LINES, F (Dickson '87) [(Pye Colour x Sunday Times PB) x Eye Paint]. PB (pb), hand painted medium pink/white, RNRS Gold Medal '84. No reports.

LEN TURNER (DAYDREAM), F (Dickson '84) (Mullard Jubilee x Eye Paint). RB (rb), ivory petals/flushed and edged carmine, 35 petals. No reports. (Last year for reporting this rose).

MME. FERNANDEL, F (Meilland int '89 NR) (Irene x Manou Meilland). (mr), deep rose-red, 33-35 petals, Bagatelle GM '88. Langlois (1 pl 1 yr 3' BC): High centred HT form blooms, excellent substance, very strong striking colour, large clusters. A very healthy and effective Floribunda. Dense foliage, no disease.

MARIANDEL (THE TIMES ROSE)(CARL PHILIP)(CHRISTIAN IV), F (Kordes '87 int '85) (Tornado x Redgold). MR (dr), crimson. Golden Rose of the Hague '90. Shewchuk (2 pls 3 yrs 2' AB): Blood red colour, does not fade, large trusses of blooms, good substance, stands up well in rain, good repeat, fragrant. New foliage reddish, then dark and glossy, hardy with proper protection. Wood (2 pls 3 yrs 2.5' BC): OK blooms on an OK plant, beginning to think I can live without it but it gets one more year. Short sprawling growth habit.

PENSIONERS VOICE, F (Fryer int '89 NR) (Alexander x Silver Jubilee). (ab), orange/apricot. Brown (1 pl 2 yrs 2.5' BC): Colour similar to 'Julie Cussons', double bloom, decorative HT form, good substance, in sprays of 6-12. A great rose. Bushy medium growth habit, very good foliage, no disease.

PLAYGIRL, F (Moore '86) (Playboy x Angel Face). MP (mp), medium pink/yellow stamens. Scott (1 pl 1 yr 3' BC): Large single flowers, excellent repeat, a more impressive pink single than 'Betty Prior'. Vigourous spreading growth habit, no disease.

PLEASURE, F (Warriner '88) (Seedling x Intrigue). (mp), salmon coral, 30-35 petals, AARS '90. Decker (1 pl 1 yr 2' AK): Colourful medium pink, ages silvery pink. Decorative form, large fluffy blooms are like small sponges, 5"-6" when fully open, good substance, in small clusters. Compact grower, nice healthy garden type rose. Kopecky (1 pl 1 yr 2.5' NE): Ruffled flattish bloom, large attractive trusses, colour is vibrant and clear, very good substance. Could be a good garden rose. Bushy grower, no disease this year. McKenzie (3 pls 2 yrs 3' ON): Salmon coral colour fades to a lighter shade with age, decorative form with large petals, excellent substance, lots of bloom, long lasting. Extremely vigourous grower, excellent disease resistance, hardiness excellent. Raven (1 pl 2 yrs 2' AB): 2" bloom, nice ruffled form, could be exhibition, good substance, fair number of blooms, good lasting ability, pretty colour. Beautiful shiny red to green foliage, no disease, needs winter protection. Scott (1 pl 2 yrs 4' BC): Large open cupped bloom, masses of flowers, good continuity of bloom, excellent rose in all weather conditions. Tall spreading growth habit, very healthy somewhat ribbed foliage, no disease. Shewchuk (3 pls 2 yrs 2' AB): Lovely bloom, beautifully shaped, ruffled, fragrant, long lasting, stands up well in rain and hot weather. Lots of bloom, good repeat, will become a popular Floribunda. Medium dark semi glossy foliage, hardy with proper protection. Williams (1 pl 1 yr standard BC): Double bloom, decorative form, pretty ruffled petal edges, excellent substance, large clusters. Very showy and very attractive as a standard. Gave lots of colour this summer, new rose this year for me. Dark green foliage, some blackspot, have wrapped for winter protection.

PRIMA (MANY HAPPY RETURNS) F (Harkness '88) (Herbstfeuer x Pearl Drift). (lp), 18 petals, Geneva GM '87. Flood (3 plants 1-2 years, ON): Clear light pink, perfectly formed blooms in full clusters, great substance. First rose to bloom in my garden for last three years, covered with blooms, repeats quickly. Spreading cultivar, light green foliage, very healthy. One plant has survived with no winter protection in 3 years. A must for any garden.

PRINCESS ALICE (ZONTA ROSE)(BRITE LITES), F (Harkness '85) (Judy Garland x Anne Harkness). MY (my), 24 petals, Dublin GM '85. Brown (2 pls 3 yrs 4' BC): Decorative form, good substance, large sprays with many blooms, can't be missed in the garden. Tall bushy grower, good foliage. Yeomans (1 pl 2 yrs 42" BC): Very bright yellow flower, leggy plant, prefer my Floribundas more bushy. Healthy. Who was the illiterate lunatic who changed the name?

RAF BRAECKMAN, F (RVS int '85 NR). OB (ob). No reports.

RASPBERRY ICE (TABRIS), F (Kordes, int '86). PB (rb). Morgan (1 pl 1 yr 3.5' BC): 3" bloom, very white with cerise or raspberry edges, decorative

form, good substance, in singles and clusters. Blooms all summer, very attractive rose in garden and can be cut. Upright growth habit, gorgeous foliage, superior to many others, good disease resistance. Wood (2 pls 2 yrs 5-6' BC): Excellent colour, huge trusses of lovely medium size buds/flowers, good garden rose for the back row. Killed to the crown last winter but came back to 5' by July. Yeomans (2 pls 1-2 yrs 24-40" BC): Attractive colour, healthy plant. Cannot tell the difference between this and 'Hannah Gordon', my plant of the latter is a bit more vigourous but this may be a characteristic of the individual plant.

RED HOT, F (McGredy '88) (Eyepaint x Ko's Yellow). (pb). Decker (1 pl 1 yr 18" AK): Unusual colouring, different, hand painted type, attractive. Decorative form, fair substance, small clusters, very floriferous and always in bloom, petals fall cleanly and quickly. Almost a Miniature, worthwhile! Short bushy grower, small dense medium green foliage, no disease. Pelham (3 pls 1 yr NS): Due to pruning and cutting back for winter mounding, I can't be sure of height. A good red, large blooms, OK form and substance. Few diseases here this year, perhaps due to very dry season. Would like another year's trial to properly evaluate.

REDWOOD, F (McGredy '88 int '87) (Old Master x Vienna Woods). (rb), red/white eye. Wood (2 pls 2 yrs 4.5-5' BC): Painted blooms are very novel, interesting garden rose. Strong thorny growth habit, disease resistant.

ROSEROMANTIC, F (Kordes '84) (Seedling x Tornado). (w), pale pink, single. No reports. (Last year for reporting this rose).

SEAFARER, F (Harkness '86) (Amy Brown x Judy Garland). OR (o-r), dark orange red, 30 petals. Flood (3 pls 4 yrs 2' ON): There is some similarity to 'Conqueror's Gold' except this is a larger bloom on shorter stems. Colouring is almost the same, a little darker. Growth didn't exceed 2', healthy and hardy.

SEXY REXY, Fl (McGredy '84) (Seaspray x Dreaming). MP (mp), medium to light pink, 40+ petals, NZ Gold Star '84, Auckland GM '90. Arberry (2 pls 1 & 2 yrs 3-3.5' BC): Double bloom, excellent form, good substance, huge clusters, in bloom from start of season until late Fall. My 2 year old plant was in constant bloom, must have produced at least 200 blooms over the year, a real show stealer. Very bushy grower, dark green abundant foliage, no disease. Brisbane (1 pl 1 yr 2' BC): Lovely soft light pink shade, excellent form with very full petallage, excellent substance. In huge clusters, often best Floribunda in its class in Shows. Rests a couple of weeks after first flush, gets a good pruning, then it's away to the races again! Very satisfactory rose. No disease. Bryant (1 pl 3 yrs 3' ON): Medium size shell pink bloom, exhibition form and substance, in great clusters, great

exhibition rose. No disease, hardiness good. Chambers (1 pl 2 yrs 3' NS): Large clusters of semi double flat blooms in blended shades of pink, strong substance. Disappointing that this cultivar did not repeat after a very pleasing early summer show. Glossy dark green disease resistant foliage, hardiness good with winter protection. Decker (1 pl 5 yrs 2' AK): Exceptional pink Floribunda, nice small to large clusters, for exhibition and garden, rain resistant. Spreading growth habit, no disease. Jubien (1 pl 2 yrs 24" QC): Small blooms, many per stem, good substance. This rose always gets a lot of comments from visitors. I think this may be due to its location in my garden where it's near 'Chrysler Imperial' and 'Fire Magic'. Bushy growth habit, no disease, hardiness OK. Kopecky (1 pl 3 yrs 2.5' NE): Flattish bloom but can be shown, excellent substance. Tremendous trusses on very short stems, bloom literally covers the plant at times. This one is a bloomin' fool. No disease so far, hardiness very good. Langlois (1 pl 5 yrs 3' BC): Small roses, almost pompom form, excellent substance, in clusters, very floriferous but only two flushes per year. Strong grower, dense foliage, no disease. Mychaluk (1 pl 3 yrs low AB): Perfect inflorescence, huge sprays with perfectly formed exhibition blooms, excellent substance. Rexy may be short but his sexiness comes from his incredible ability to produce a heart throb in every lady that sees him. Vigourous grower, no disease, hardiness excellent. Pearson (12 pls 3 yrs 1-2' BC): Excellent exhibition form Floribunda, good substance, clusters of bloom. May be last year to report on it but 'Sexy Rexy' is here to stay, have made hedge on its own roots and it thrives! Small light green disease resistant foliage. Porter (1 pl 2 yrs 18" SK): Like the colour very much, double bloom, cupped form, excellent substance. Low compact grower, vigour improved this year but still could be better, possibly some tree competition. No disease, hardy with protection. Raven (1 pl 2 yrs 1.5' AB): Covered in tiny pink blooms, lots of them but wish they were bigger. It's like a big Miniature for me. Double bloom, good substance, small leaves, no disease, winter protection needed. Scott (1 pl 1 yr 2.5' BC): Medium sized bloom, plant covered in flowers. A beautiful and healthy rose, our favourite pink Floribunda. Small glossy foliage, no disease. Smallenberg (1 pl 5 yrs 5' BC): Attractive little buds go through number of pretty stages before opening flat, excellent substance, large sprays. Very showy in June/July but smaller intermittent sprays later. A particularly charming variety, always in excellent health, bushy and vigourous. Stanton (1 pl 5 yrs 3' ON): Small double blooms and lots of them, repeats well, decorative form, good substance. Very appealing and enjoyable little rose. Vigourous low bushy grower, some blackspot, hardiness excellent. Stedman (1 pl 3 yrs 3' PE): Great Floribunda has it all, large sprays of 3" medium pink blooms, great in all weather, beautiful healthy glossy foliage. Get one for sure! No disease, hardiness good. (Last year for reporting this rose).

SHADES OF PINK, F (Mander '85) (Robin Hood x Pascali). PB (pb), dark to pale pink. Beattie (1 pl 2 yrs 4.5' MB): Gorgeous large clusters on strong

stems, pink with white eye, double, open form, good substance. I love it! Bush improves with age, upright grower, glossy medium green foliage, no disease, hardiness good with protection. Biddulph (1 pl 2 yrs 2' MB): Large 3" bloom, open form, good substance, odd single but mostly clusters of up to 6 blooms. Moving this year set it back. Bloomed well in tub before being planted, then poor repeat. I like the manner in which blooms change colour with age but still hold on bush. Looking for good year in '92. No disease, hardiness good with protection. Cochran (2 pls 1 yr 5.5' CA): A symphony in pink, changing through pale tones to deep rouge pink. Fully decorative form, many different size sprays, borne on strong stems. Couldn't believe the amount of blooms in the colour range. It takes a full year to become established before the full rush of blooms, a must for lovers of Floribundas. Produces beautiful roses in many shades of pink but not for exhibition. Upright branching grower, healthy. Morgan (1 pl 1 yr 2' BC): Clusters of small 1.5" blooms, decorative form but poor substance. Planted in poor area, plan to move and hope its growth habit improves next year, otherwise will discard. Some mildew. Schneider (1 pl 2 yrs 30" MB): Large flat blooms in clusters of up to 4 blooms, nice rose but would like to see the larger clusters one hears about. Good substance. No disease, hardiness good with protection.

SHEILA'S PERFUME, F (Sheridan '82 int '85) {Peer Gynt x Daily Sketch x (Paddy McGredy x Prima Ballerina)]. YB (yb), yellow/edged red, 10 petals. Edland Medal for Fragrance '81. No reports.

SUMMER FASHION (ARC DE TRIOMPHE), F (Warriner '86). YB (yb), light yellow/edged pink, 35-40 petals. Archibald (1 pl 1 yr 25" SK): Large double exhibition form bloom, excellent substance, in clusters at times. This was a real bloom factory with exceptional quality. Nice bushy grower, large leaves, blackspot. Chauncey (1 pl 3 yrs 2.5' BC): For me it was a dud, candelabra, blooms balled and didn't open. Could be poor plant, have seen some lovely ones. Decker (1 pl 5 yrs 30" AK): White and yellow with pink edges. High centred HT form but often confused centres, blooms can get to 7" wide when fully open, in small sprays, seemed to have more blooms this year. Spreading grower, large unhealthy foliage, mildews badly, not rain resistant. Hart (2 pls, 2 yr pl 34" 3 yr plant 2', ON): Lovely 5-5.6" double flat blooms, white and yellow with pink edge gradually changing to all pink, really pretty when they first open with their 3 different colours. Lots of bloom, mostly clusters. Medium green foliage, blackspot started in August, hardy with winter hilling. Raven (1 pl 1 yr 1.5' AB): Love the colour combination, very nice pink and cream blend, very attractive though it does fade quickly in warmer weather, good substance, borne singly. Spreading growth habit, some mildew, winter protection needed. Semeniuk (2 pls 3 yrs 4' BC): 5" bloom, perfect exhibition form, excellent substance, many singles, a few clusters, prolific bloomer. Attractive plant and one of the nicest roses in my

yard, lasts well, won 1st prize in first year on bench. Will tolerate shade 1/2 day, not spindly, a winner for me! Good basal shoots, no disease, needs little protection. Shewchuk (1 pl 2 yrs 2' AB): Double 3-3.5" bloom, again this year it's more pink than yellow, maybe should be classified as pb, some attribute this to differences in soil and climate conditions, fragrant. Upright neat bush, no disease, hardy with proper protection. Stedman (1 pl 4 yrs 1.5-2' PE): Large double bloom with HT form and size. Blooms yellow/ivory shading rose pink. One new cane had 15 sprays but others often came singly. A real favourite, would replace. Watch for blackspot. Needs extra winter protection.

SUN FLARE (YELLOW BLAZE) ClF F (J. Burks '89). (my). A Sport of Sun Flare. Listed by ARS as ClF Sun Flare. Brown (1 pl 1 yr 6' BC): Decorative form, good substance, looks very good so far. Tall growth habit, good foliage, no disease.

TANAMOLA (LA PALOMA '85)(THE DOVE) F (Tantau '85) (Parentage unknown). W (w). Yeomans (1 pl 2 yrs 24" BC): Blooming in small clusters and individuals. Not exciting. Healthy.

TIGER TAIL, F (Christensen '92) (Matangi x Pinstripe). (ob) deep orange/white stripes, 30 petals. Duskin (2 pls 2 yrs 3' OR): Unique striped Floribunda with outstanding bloom production. Problem - necks often weak. Crisp semi-double form, excellent substance. This has really been a conversation piece. A handful plunked in a white vase (that's how I arrange) is spectacular. Opens in any and all weather. Watch the test gardens for even more spectacular striped roses. Tall vigourous grower, shining medium green foliage, slight blackspot.

VOLUNTEER, F (Harkness '85 int '86) (Dame of Sark x Silver Jubilee). YB (yb), like a small edition of 'Peace', 35 petals. No reports.

WANDERING MINSTREL (DANIEL GALIN), F (Harkness '86) (Dame of Sark x Silver Jubilee). (pb), pink/shaded orange, 28 petals. No reports.

WINNING COLORS (Now classified as Grandiflora).

WISHING (GEORGIE GIRL), F (Patio) (Dickson '84) (Silver Jubilee x Bright Smile). (mp), medium peachy pink, 35 petals. Tsuji (1 pl 1 yr 1.5' BC): Light salmon colour, fades a lot after bud opens, nice HT type bloom, blooms abundantly and frequently. Bushy growth habit, glossy foliage, average disease resistance. (Last year for reporting this rose).

LARGE FLOWERED CLIMBERS

ANTIKE 89 (ANTIQUE 89), LCl (Kordes '88 NR) [(Grand Hotel x Sympathie) x (Seedling x Arthur Bell)]. (w), white/red shaded cream/red edges. Langlois (1 pl 2 yrs 20" BC): Many beautiful blooms cover bush in flushes, open cupped form, excellent substance. Very vigourous effective rose, promises to be a stunning climber. Very strong growth habit, good foliage, no disease.

FREISINGER MORGENROTE (MORGENROTE), LCl (Kordes int '88 NR) (Seedling x Lichtkonigin Lucia). (ob), orange with yellow tones. Langlois (1 pl 3 yrs 4' BC): Excellent high centred shape and quantity of bloom, excellent substance, but thus far it has failed to climb! Poor growth habit, dense foliage, no disease.

GOLDENER OLYMP (OLYMPIC GOLD), LCl (Kordes '84). DY (dy), 20 petals. No reports. (Last year for reporting this rose).

HARLEKIN, LCl (Kordes '86 NR). (w), cream with pink edges. No reports.

SHRUBS

ALEXANDER MACKENZIE (A. MACKENZIE), S (Explorer Rose) (F. Svejda '85 int '84). MR (mr), 45 petals. Agriculture Canada, Indian Head (Brian Porter) (1 pl 7 yrs 5' SK): Bright red to deep pink. Double bloom, decorative form, edges burn. All but one cane died to snowline but it grew back vigorously and bloomed well in July and August. Upright grower, large shiny foliage, no disease. Porter (1 pl 3 yrs 3' SK): Grown from a cutting and existing on neglect, it has been slow to develop, no blooms yet. Upright grower, dark green foliage, no disease, hardiness fair with protection. (Last year for reporting this rose).

ALL THAT JAZZ, S (Twomey '91). (ob), coral-salmon/bright yellow stamens, 12-13 petals, AARS '92. Cochran (2 pls 2 yrs 4-5.5' CA): Coral-pink and soft salmon bud opens lighter. Pointed buds open with large loose decorative form blooms, good substance. Very prolific with many long stems, both singly and medium clusters that completely cover the plant. Upright vigourous growth habit, clothed with dark green leathery foliage, completely disease resistant (didn't spray them for 4 months). Super for landscape and garden. Duskin (1 pl 1 yr 4' OR): Bright floppy open blooms with confused centres, fair substance, come fairly regularly. Will be used only for a spot of colour, blooms sure aren't attractive. Why AARS? Tall vigourous grower, shiny bright green foliage, no disease.

ANGELICA (ANGELA), S (Kordes '84). DP (dp), 35 petals. No reports. (Last year for reporting this rose).

ARMADA, S (Harkness '88). (mp) rose pink. Flood (2 pl 2 yrs ON): Semi double blooms, nicely shaped, neat clusters, excellent colour and substance, repeats quickly, another excellent year. Highly recommend this variety. Lots of healthy foliage, looking forward to next year.

AUSCOT (ABRAHAM DERBY), S (English Rose) (Austin '90 int '85). (pb), shades of apricot and peach. Lawrence (1 pl 3 yrs 6-7' BC): 3-4" blooms in clusters, very full OGR style, good substance, medium fragrance. One of my favourites, at times flowers so large they tend to droop on their stems. At first short and bushy, now it is a climber! Light green shiny foliage, not much disease. Ouellette (1 pl 1 yr 3' QC): Yellow/apricot/peach sherbet. Deeply cupped double blooms, colour fades towards edge of petals with age, long lasting on bush, wonderful fragrance, delicate soft substance. Slow to open but lays fairly flat and full of small petals, too many to bother counting. Holds petals and would dry up if left on bush. Will be interesting in old fashioned arrangements. Blooms singly on rather spindly stems, expect more blooms as bush matures. Glossy foliage, no disease. White (2 pls 1 yr 4' BC): Wonderful myrrh scented bloom, yellow/peach/pink, slashes of each. Strong buds, blooms too heavy to be supported by a young plant, centifolia-type form, poor substance. Floppy growth habit. I think I can improve these cultivars by heavy and judicious pruning. Really ball in wet weather - yuck! Foliage a little sparse, no disease.

BELLE STORY, S (English Rose) (D. Austin '85 int '84). LP (lp), 35 petals. No reports. (Last year for reporting this rose).

BIDDULPH GRANGE (ROSENTANZ), S (Fryer int '88 NR). (rb), medium red/white eye, semi double, Rome GM '88. Brown (1 pl 3 yrs 5' BC): Semi-double bloom, similar to 'Eyepaint' but with an extra layer of petals, decorative form, substance good. Tall grower, glossy foliage, no disease.

BLOOMIN' EASY, S (Christensen '88). (mr). No reports.

BREDON, S (English Rose) (D. Austin '85 int '84). AB (ab), 40+ petals. Freeman (1 pl 2 yrs 2' ON): Gorgeous soft apricot colour, old fashioned form, good substance, lots of bloom in waves, blooms are quite small. Nice short variety but a bit sprawly, hardiness good. (Last year for reporting this rose).

CARDINAL HUME, S (Harkness '84). M (m), violet purple, 31 petals. No reports. (Last year for reporting this rose).

CAREFREE WONDER, S (Meilland '90 int '91). (pb), rich pink/creamy pink reverse, 20-25 petals, AARS '91. Brown (1 pl 1 yr 3' BC): Open double bloom in sprays and singly, decorative form, good substance, colourful garden rose. Tall bushy growth habit, very good foliage, no disease. Duskin (1 pl 2 yrs 3' OR): Large bloom in clusters with very good repeat. Often shows its 'hand painted' heritage. Decorative form only, good substance, colour accent for garden, not good for cutting. Bushy strong grower, thick foliage, no disease. Dyck (1 pl 1 yr 2.5' BC): Pink/ivory, inside fuchsia pink, outside white. Semi double bloom, quite nice and unusual and lots of them. Open form, fair substance, an AARS 91 but who needs a low Shrub? Not attractive from a distance, unusual colour. Strong grower, abundant healthy foliage. Langlois (2 pls 1 yr 4' BC): Prolific and a very quick repeater, blooms do not drop well, average good form, good substance. May be a good Shrub, I'll still have to withhold my judgement. Good foliage, disease resistant. McKenzie (2 pls 1 yr 3' ON): Flat clusters, lots and lots of bloom, decorative form, fair substance, rich pink colour with creamy pink reverse. Requires little attention, lots of vigour, likes to spread out, medium green foliage, excellent disease resistance. Scott (1 pl 1 yr 3' BC): A nice pink and white semi double flower that should be more popular, good repeat, delicate substance. Shrub like growth habit, small toothed foliage, no disease.

CLAIRE ROSE, S (English Rose) (D. Austin '90 int '86). (lp), soft pink/edged blush pink. Jubien (1 pl 3 yrs 3' QC): Semi double decorative form bloom, good substance. I note that this rose has been classed as a Shrub; this is good because it's inclined to grow tall and thin. Not too much foliage, no disease, hardiness good.

ELVESHORN, S (Kordes '85). MP (mp), 35 petals. No reports.

EMILY LOUISE, S (patio rose) (Harkness int '90 NR). (my), single. Wood (1 pl 1 yr BC): My plant in a pot grows 15-18" with the most delightful bright yellow 5-petalled blooms, aging to bright orange/red. Shiny foliage with wine stems, no disease. This is a 'must have' for everyone. Yeomans (1 pl 1 yr 2' BC): Got it because my niece is called Emily-Louise. I am delighted with it, small five petalled star shaped flowers, small healthy foliage to match.

ESPRIT (HOLSTEIN '87)(CITY OF BIRMINGHAM)(PETIT MARQUIS), S (Kordes '87 int '89). (dr). Brown (2 pls 2 yrs 3' BC). Semi-double bloom with frilled petals, in sprays. An excellent rose not to be overlooked. Bushy medium growth habit, good foliage, no disease.

FERDY (FERDI), S (Suzuki '84). DP (dp), fuchsia pink, reddening as it ages, a creeper. Brown (1 pl 2 yrs 3' BC): Miniature in size but blooms along canes, even when not in bloom leaves and bush are decorative. Tall

bushy weeping growth habit, good lacy foliage, no disease. (Last year for reporting this rose).

FISHERMAN'S FRIEND, S (English Rose) (D. Austin '88 int '87). (dr). Lawrence (1 pl 3 yrs 5-6' BC): Large 3" blooms, full OGR type with many petals, good substance, in clusters, strong fragrance. A lovely vigourous rose but this year so covered with rust, every leaf curled up and brown, that I have regretfully discarded it. Tall grower, dark green foliage.

GERTRUDE JEKYLL, S (English Rose) (D. Austin '86 NR). MP (mp), rich glowing deep pink. Laidlaw (1 pl 1 yr 8' ON): Very double 4" bloom, lovely old fashioned cupped form, exquisite fragrance, one to love! Very good substance, drops clean. Strong tall canes, lush foliage, no disease.

HENRY KELSEY, S (Kordesii) (Explorer Rose) (F. Svejda '84). MR (mr), 28 petals. Agriculture Canada, Indian Head (1 pl 7 yrs 3' SK): Brilliant red, double bloom, decorative form, excellent substance, in clusters on terminals of canes. Suffered severe injury to snowline, good basal growth, gave good recovery by July. Sets hips. Not recommended here for exposed sites but might be suitable for a sheltered garden. Arching growth habit, foliage a bit sparse, no disease this year. Beattie (1 pl 1 yr 30" MB): 1 flush of bloom only! Semi-double blooms in clusters, flat form. Bush took up too much room, don't like it, will remove. No disease. Lacroix (2 pls 2 yrs 6' QC): Cupped decorative form bloom, fair substance, profuse initial bloom then very few, mediocre rose for me. I prefer 'John Cabot'. Spreading grower, lacks vigour, fair foliage, no disease, hardiness excellent. Schneider (1 pl 1 yr 4' MB): Slow starter, just sat until August, so no bloom. Hopefully next year? (Last year for reporting this rose).

HERITAGE, S (English Rose) (Austin '85 int '84). LP (lp), clear shell pink, 40+ petals. Freeman (1 pl 1 yr 3' ON): Cupped and quartered old-fashioned bloom, fragrant and gorgeous but not a lot of bloom. Planted beside 'Mary Rose' (which blooms its head off), 'Heritage' has nicer form and a slightly lighter colour, but so far it's too stingy a bloomer. May have to replace after 1 more year's trial. Jubien (1 pl 3 yrs 30" QC): Double decorative bloom with perhaps 50 petals, good substance. Like so many of Austin's roses that I read about in ARS and RNRS, this rose is very attractive. Tall grower, good foliage, no disease, hardiness good. Laidlaw (1 pl 2 yrs 6' ON): 3" very double cupped bloom, old fashioned garden form, good substance, singles and clusters of 3, continuous display. Started early, still blooming mid October. Exquisite shell pink, deeper in centre, paler in hot weather. Drops clean, fragrant, an adorable old fashioned beauty. Raven (1 pl 1 yr 1.5' AB): Cupped small decorative old-fashioned bloom, fair substance. Somewhat smaller blooms, could be more of them, but got off to a slow start, necks could be stronger. Weak bush, medium green foliage, no disease, needs

winter protection. Wood (1 pl 1 yr 5' BC): Trusses of old fashioned roses, cupped blooms, fragrant, slight mildew but a really nice bush, great garden rose. (Last year for reporting this rose).

J.P. CONNELL, S (Explorer Rose) (F. Svejda '87). MY (my). Lacroix (1 pl 4 yrs 5' QC): Light yellow fading to white, beautiful in bud stage, excellent form, outstanding substance, strong thornless stems. On its own roots, improves every year but as far as I'm concerned it does not repeat. Profuse bloom cycle in Spring, then none at all. Best Explorer rose as far as form and substance is concerned. Upright grower, small foliage, no disease, hardiness excellent.

JACQUELINE DU PRES, S. (Harkness '88 int '89). (w), blush white/golden stamens. Flood (2 pls 2 yrs ON): Small white flowers, good substance, clear colour, exhibits stamens very well. Lots of repeat bloom, quick to establish, planted in an exposed area, grew quickly and didn't mind the wind. Lots of clean, healthy foliage. Another great year.

JOHN DAVIS, S (Kordesii)(Explorer Rose) (F. Svejda '86). MP (mp), medium pink/yellow at base, 40 petals. Agriculture Canada, Indian Head (Brian Porter) (3 pls 8 yrs 4' SK): Double decorative bloom in clusters, good substance. Suffered severe winter injury, only a few canes wintered above snowline. Recovered and bloomed well by July. Attracts rose curculios. In spite of winter injury, one of the best Explorer roses here. Sprawly vigourous growth habit, dark green foliage, no disease.

LICHTKONIGIN LUCIA, S (Kordes '85 int '86). MY (my). Langois (1 pl 1 yr 8' BC): Lemon yellow bloom, excellent size and quantity, high centred form, good substance, fragrant, borne in clusters. This is a very effective climber/pillar. Strong
grower, dense foliage, no disease.

MARY WEBB, S (English Rose) (D. Austin '85 int '84). AB (ab), Porter (1 pl 2 yrs 8" SK): Double bloom, cupped form, good substance, borne individually. Weak but twice as good as first year. Had about 6 flowers (2 flushes) this year. Will keep in the hope it improves even more with age. Wonderful fragrance. Medium green dull foliage, no disease, needs winter protection. (Last year for reporting this rose).

MORDEN BLUSH, S (Collicutt-Marshall '88). LP (lp), pink fading to white, 30 petals. Agriculture Canada, Indian Head (Brian Porter) (1 pl 3 yrs 30" SK): Light pink with deeper centres. Double bloom, decorative form, excellent substance, in clusters, fairly abundant. An attractive compact free flowering rose which is well worth growing. Slightly fragrant, delightful colour, thorns strong but relatively sparse. Upright grower, dark green

leathery foliage, slight blackspot, hardiness adequate. Bacon (1 pl 2 yrs 1.5' MB): Light pink, pales to white as it ages, double 1"-2" blooms in nice clusters, blend of colour in clusters is pleasing, flat form, good substance. A dubious addition to my garden. Tarnished plant bug didn't touch it! I hope it grows larger and produces more next year. No disease, hardiness good. Beattie (1 pl 1 yr MB): Not attractive, colour fades in sun, opens wide and holds, flat form, good substance, in clusters. Disappointed but will give it another year as plant was small, not mature. Upright grower, rose curculio likes it, hardiness good with no protection. Biddulph (1 pl 2 yrs 24" MB): Light pink fades to cream but is attractive. Double blooms open wide and hold and hold, flat form, excellent substance, nice clusters. This is one of the better Morden introductions despite the fading colour. Repeats well, performed well despite being in tub May 15 to July 15. No disease, hardiness good with no protection. Freeman (1 pl 1 yr 2-2.5' ON): Pink cream, deeper pink in Fall, ethereal colour. HT form until half open, then very full almost old-fashioned bloom, good substance, lovely clusters, wonderful 1st flush, lasts for weeks and then good repeat. I am really impressed, a winter hardy rose that looks like 'Perle d'Or'. The prettiest Canadian hardy rose yet, this and 'H.C. Andersen' are my two 'finds' this year. Compact growth habit, some blackspot, hardiness excellent, didn't winter protect! Lacroix (1 pl 4 yrs 3' QC): Superb in bud stage, resembles OGR when fully opened, very good form, fair substance. Spoils in rain, excellent Shrub as long as the weather is good. Very vigourous and floriferous, worth space in the garden. Upright grower, no disease, hardiness excellent. Porter (1 pl 3 yrs 20" SK): 3" flowers, mostly in small clusters, fairly continuous, cupped form, excellent substance. A wonderful rose, wish I had several more. Delicate colour is very appealing. My favourite of the Parkland series. No disease, dies back but needs no protection. Schneider (1 pl 2 yrs low MB): Colour fades but remains attractive, double bloom, flattish form, excellent substance, 1st flush 42 blooms, mostly clusters. No disease, no protection needed.

MORGENROT, S (Kordes '85). RB (mr), bright red/white centre/yellow stamens, 5 petals, Paris GM '83. No reports.

OTHELLO, S (English Rose) (D. Austin '90 int '86). DR (dr), rich dark crimson turning to purple & mauve shades. White (1 pl 1 yr 3' BC): Large attractive bloom, very double, garden decorative form, good substance, very fragrant. I like this rose very much. Lanky growth habit, fair foliage, no disease.

PINK MEIDILAND (SCHLOSS HEIDEGG), S (Meilland '84 int '85). (pb), hot pink/white eye, 5 petals. No reports.

RALPH'S CREEPER (HIGHVELDT SUN), S (R. Moore '88, int '87). (rb), red/yellow bicolour, ground cover. No reports.

RED MEIDILAND (ROUGE MEILLANDECOR), S (Meilland '89). (rb). Dyck (1 pl 1 yr 3' BC): Red with white eye. Single not very attractive bloom, small flowers but bush is always full of them, nice form en masse, fair substance. Needs support like a weak climber. Very tender grower, small abundant foliage, lots of blackspot.

ROSENRESLI, S (Kordesii) (Kordes '87 int '86). DP (dp). No reports.

ST. CECELIA, S (English Rose) (Austin '88 int '87). (my). Duskin (1 pl 2 yrs 3' OR): Full, cupped decorative form bloom, substance thin in Fall, singly and in well spaced sprays, not continuous but in cycles. Has trouble opening in cool Fall weather. Pleasant shrubby shape for garden, medium green thick foliage, slight mildew, hardiness very good. Ouellette (1 pl 1 yr 2'10" QC): Medium yellow semi double fairly small blooms, rather loose cupped form, fair substance. Not many blooms but not really established, potential is very good. Slow to repeat after hot summer. Pretty blooms are remarkable for their sweet fragrance, especially in the evening when you walk past the bush. Very disease resistant, fairly robust, planted Fall of '90. White (1 pl 1 yr 3' BC): Pale yellow for me, semi double bloom, lax centifolia-type form, so-so substance. Poor repeat first year, will reserve judgement. Vertical lanky growth habit, mid green disease free foliage.

SCARLET MEIDILAND, S (Meilland '87). (rb), scarlet. Bacon (1 pl 1 yr 6-12" MB): Open, polyantha type bloom, excellent substance, lovely large clusters at the terminals, first flush lasted more than 2 weeks. A lovely unusual unknown plant. All but three roses were attacked by tarnished plant bug, 'Meidiland', 'Esmeralda' 'Therese Bugnet' appeared immune, the rest - disaster! Vigourous low spreading grower to about 3 feet, dark green foliage, no disease. Biddulph (1 pl 1 yr 6" MB): Compact 1" double bloom, like polyantha, nice red which holds forever. Low spreading tight growth habit completely covers ground to two feet, can stand rough treatment. A talking point in my garden, lots of interest in it. Dark green foliage, no disease, needs winter protection. Shewchuk (2 pls 2 yrs 2' AB): 1.5-2" double blooms in clusters, long lasting, good substance, could make a neat low hedge. Upright bush, small dark glossy foliage, no disease, has come through winter well so far.

STRETCH JOHNSON (TANGO)(ROCK 'N ROLL), S (McGredy '88). (rb), hand painted orange and yellow, RNRS GM '88. Cochran (2 pls 2 yrs 5-6' CA): Hand painted bright orange-red with pale yellow eye, so flashy, colour deepens in cool weather. Love all McGredy's hand painted beauties. Plants produce many large clusters, good substance. Best colour on Canina understock, on large basal canes I pick off top when they are 14" high. Will be in demand. Tall grower, dense glossy foliage, no disease so far. Duskin (3 pls 2 yrs 5' OR): One of the best 'hand painted' roses, colours vary in our

climate but always nice. Semi double decorative form, excellent substance, large clusters, constant production. Tall vigourous grower, can see why it's a Shrub in U.S. Medium, thick foliage, no disease. Yeomans (1 pl 1 yr 3' BC): Jazzy semi double flowers. A good novelty. Healthy.

SWEET JULIET, S (English Rose) (Austin '89 NR). (ab), pale apricot fading towards petal edge. Duskin (1 pl 1 yr 3' OR): Pale apricot fading lighter towards petal edge. A beautiful bloom, full, fragrant and in regular cycles. Full cupped decorative form, excellent substance. Outstanding Austin Shrub for this area. Neat, pleasing growth that would fit in the smallest garden, heavenly fragrance. Plentiful light green foliage, no disease, hardiness very good.

THE COUNTRYMAN, S (English Rose) (D. Austin '88 int '87). (mp). No reports.

TIMES SQUARE, S (Texas Co-operative '90 NR). (rb), vivid red/white eye. Duskin (1 pl 2 yrs 2.5' OR): Single to semi double bloom in medium clusters, open decorative form, excellent substance, very good bloom continuity. This was a leftover from our annual Plant Sale, turned out to be a real conversation piece. Unusual blooms, so far not much bigger than a large Miniature. Short bushy grower, beautiful foliage, very dark rugosa type, absolutely no disease, hardiness excellent.

WENLOCK, S (D. Austin '85 int '84). MR (mr), medium crimson, 40+ petals. Freeman (1 pl 1 yr 2.5' ON): Bright bluish red, typical Austin bloom, old fashioned form, nice colour, fragrant. Gets some shade, and seems to be slow getting established. Blooms were beautiful but not a lot this year. Will have to wait and see. Some mildew. (Last year for reporting this rose).

WESTFALENPARK, S (Kordes '87 int '86). AB (ab). No reports.

WHITE MARY ROSE, S (English Rose) (D. Austin int '88). (w). No reports.

WHITE MEIDILAND (BLANC MEILLANDECOR), S (Meilland '89 int '87). (w), 35-50 petals. Boyce (1 pl 4 yrs ON): White tinged with rose pink in cool weather, buds are rose pink. 2.5" bloom, excellent pointed decorative buds but flat flowers like Floribundas, good substance, singles and clusters of up to 14. Prolific, continuous May to frost, double and very double bloom, some 35-50 petals, some to 90. Incredible growth habit, thorny, dark very shiny olive green foliage, no disease, hardiness excellent with no or minimal protection. Although cut back severely last winter to protect from wind damage, by mid summer it was 18' in diameter, and the grower's tag said 3.5'! Many sturdy canes, well spaced like spokes with exact evenly

spaced leaf stems. Ground cover and will grow straight up against fences. Bees and butterflies love it. Very resistant to blackspot. I'll probably have to move all the neighbouring perennials 25' or move myself (I have only a small city lot)! McLean (1 pl 2 yrs 9' BC: White clusters, each flower 1.5-2" diameter on stems 6" above plant. No scent. Shrub growth habit, small green leaves, no disease.

WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE, S (English Rose) (D. Austin '88 int '87). (dr). Armstrong (1 pl 2 yrs 6" NS): Received a poor plant, one bloom. Didn't survive 2nd winter. McGee (1 pl 3 yrs 8' ON): Colour is rich crimson that matures to purple. Very floriferous in June, clusters of antique blossoms, In September its blooming is reduced but still plentiful. Quartered rosette form. Give it land lotsa land. Not as refined as its name might suggest, without hard pruning in Spring it could grow to a mighty rambler. Growth habit polite in June, great vertical canes in September, heavily clothed plant, slightly rugosa type texture foliage, susceptible to blackspot in Autumn, relatively free of mildew. Quite hardy.

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, S (English Rose) (D. Austin '88 NR). (w), white/hint of buff at heart, Sport of Mary Rose. Duskin (1 pl 2 yrs 5' OR): Full flat rosette type blooms, decorative form, good substance, good repeat. An outstanding contribution in the Shrub class. Looks to be an exact duplicate of 'White Mary Rose', sold by the same nursery. Vigourous spreading grower, full medium green foliage, no disease, hardiness very good.

WINDRUSH, S (English Rose) (D. Austin '85 int '84). MY (ly), lemon yellow. McGee (1 pl 2 yrs 3' ON): My rose is light yellow. Semi-double 4" blooms, prominent stamens. If you want an alternative to 'Golden Wings', this is it. Not as big or stiff a bush, more graceful and blooms are lovely. Leggy grower, relatively thornless, medium green matte foliage, disease free, thrives on normal winter protection. (Last year for reporting this rose).

MINIATURES

ADAM'S SMILE, Min (Saville '89 int '91). DP (dp), deep pink blend/lighter reverse. Duskin (1 pl 1 yr 2' OR): Full bloom, exhibition form, good substance when they open, constant production of picture perfect blooms but many buds turn yellow and fall off before opening. It's probably our crazy weather. Still worthwhile and has 'Queen' possibilities. Tall vigourous grower, dark green thick foliage, no disease, hardiness good. Magee (1 pl 1 yr 12" ON): Fine HT bud form, bloom nice early on and in late Fall but form was fleeting in hot weather. Not many petals.

ALEXANDER MILNE, Min (Laver '87). LP (lp), light to blush pink.

Porter (1 pl 3 yrs 7" SK): Double bloom, exhibition form, excellent substance. but a weakling that is rarely in bloom. Maybe too much competition from shrub roses nearby. Compact grower, small medium green foliage, no disease, hardiness OK with protection.

ALWAYS A LADY, Min (Bennett '88). M (m). No reports.

APRICOT CHARM, Min (Williams '86). AB (ab), 45 petals. No reports.

APRICOT DOLL, Min (Laver '90 int '91). AB (ab), apricot, yellow centre, reverse lighter, aging light apricot, 30-35 petals. Archibald (1 pl 1yr 10" SK): Large double bloom, decorative form, somewhat open, good substance. Attractive, lots of bloom but cannot call it exhibition type. Compact grower, thick small foliage, no disease.

APRICOT MIST, Min (Saville '87). AB (ab), deep apricot. No reports.

ARIZONA SUNSET, Min (Jolly '85). YB (yb), light yellow/ flushed orange-red, 20 petals. Semeniuk (1 pl 4 yrs 12" BC): Uniform canary yellow edged with red, bright and clear, needs lots of sun for best colour, attractive in arrangements and on show table. Medium sized, good centres, excellent substance, in clusters, prolific bloomer, repeats well. Once established it is always in bloom. Bushy grower, shiny medium green foliage, no disease.

BABY DIANA, Min (Saville '86). AB (ab), orange-red/yellow reverse, 20 petals. No reports.

BABY ECLIPSE, Min (Moore '84). MY (my), AoE '84. No reports. (Last year for reporting this rose).

BEAUTYGLO, Min (Williams '85). LP (lp), 35 petals. No reports.

BLACK JADE, Min (Benardella '85). DR (dr), deep velvety red, 35 petals. AoE '85. Bryant (1 pl 3 yrs 15" ON): Very dark, almost black, exhibition form, excellent substance, a beautiful Show rose. In singles and clusters. Spreading growth habit, good foliage, no disease. Kopecky (2 pls 5 yrs 18" NE): Exhibition form, excellent substance. If judges could overcome their prejudice about 'Black Jade's' centre it would do much better when shown. Very dark red colour is outstanding feature though it is an excellent all round mini. Tall bushy grower, no disease, hardiness excellent. Lacroix (1 pl 3 yrs 20" QC): Very deep red, turns black when refrigerated, perfect HT form, excellent substance, a novelty that impresses everyone. Good in Spring and Fall, poor in summer as it turns brown when sun is intense. Not very floriferous. Spreading grower, very good foliage, no disease, hardiness excellent. Porter (1 pl 7 yrs 18" SK): A favourite of mine because of the

unique colour. Double bloom, exhibition form, excellent substance, singly or in small clusters. Hardy with protection. Stanton (1 pl 2 yrs 1.5' ON): Double high centred exhibition form, turns brown too quickly but it's a handsome rose, excellent substance, lots of bloom. Shiny dark foliage, some blackspot, hardiness good.

BLUSHING BLUE, Min (B. Rennie '88). MB (m). No reports.

BONHOMME, Min (Laver '86). W (w). Porter (1 pl 5 yrs 9" SK): Double bloom, exhibition form, excellent substance. A mediocre plant with not too much bloom. Possibly some tree root competition may be at fault. Upright grower, dark green foliage, no disease.

BRIAN LEE, Min (Bennett '86). MB (mb), dark red aging mauve, 28 petals. No reports.

BRIGHTSTRIPE, Min (John Clements, Heirloom Roses '90). (rb), red/white stripes, 26-40 petals. Duskin (1 pl 1 yr 15" OR): Dull colour so far, many better striped roses available but really too early to rate. Small flat blooms in cycles, definitely not exhibition, excellent substance. Upright grower, thick small foliage, no disease, hardiness good.

CALIFORNIA DREAMING, Min (B. Rennie '86 int '87). MR (mr), medium red/lighter reverse, 28 petals. No reports.

CALIFORNIA GIRL, Min (B. Rennie '86 int '87). AB (ab), apricot/yellow blend reverse, 28 petals. No reports.

CAPE HATTERAS, Min (Bridges '88). W (w). No reports.

CARIBBEAN QUEEN, Min (B. Rennie '87). R (r), apricot copper/yellow reverse, 33 petals. No reports.

CENTERPIECE, Min (Saville '84). MR (mr), velvety dark red, 35 petals, AoE '85. Brisbane (2 pls 3 yrs 12" BC): Good form and substance, good colour until it ages, then not attractive. Very reliable bloomer, prolific and good repeat, singles and clusters. Not a neat bush, rather sprawling growth habit, good foliage, disease free with regular spraying. Dickey (1 pl 3 yrs 12" ON): Medium to dark red, medium size double bloom, excellent substance, in singles and sprays, floriferous. Interesting colour and texture, won best Miniature and best red rose in local show with one single bloom! Judges were very impressed with perfect shape and colour. Prone to blackspot, hardiness good. Porter (1 pl 5 yrs 9" SK): Double exhibition form bloom, good substance, mostly borne singly. Consistently weak from year to year, but too close to 'Morden Cardinette' and 'Morden Amorette'. No disease.

(Last year for reporting this rose).

CHASIN' RAINBOWS (CHASING RAINBOWS), Min (Saville '88 int '90). YB (rb), yellow/edged red. No reports.

CHEER UP, Min (Bennett '86). OB (ob), deep orange, 28 petals. Mychaluk (1 pl 2 yrs tall AB): Sparse bloomer, one bloom whole season. I wouldn't recommend this rose to cheer anyone up. Upright grower, not much disease.

CHERYL'S DELIGHT, Min (Williams '84). PB (pb), medium pink/white reverse, 35 petals. No reports. (Last year for reporting this rose).

CHEYENNE, Min (Spooner '85). AB (ab), golden apricot, 20 petals. No reports.

CIDER CUP, Min (patio) (Dickson '87 int '88). OB (ob), deep apricot. Tsuji (1 pl 1 yr 1' BC): Nice buds, open star shaped, pointed ends of petals, good for container growing, fair amount of bloom. Short compact grower, matte finish foliage, average disease resistance.

CINNAMON TOAST, Min (Saville '86). R (r), russet brown, 28 petals. No reports.

COPY CAT, Min (Moore '86 int '85). MP (mp). No reports.

DANDENONG, Min (mini flora) (McGredy int '87 NR). OR (o-r). Porter (1 pl 3 yrs 9" SK): Large double bloom, exhibition form, excellent substance. Overtaken by 'Morden Ruby', needs to be relocated. Upright growth habit, no disease, hardiness OK with protection.

DEBUT (SWEET SYMPHONY), Min (Mouchette '88). RB (rb), red and creamy white, 15-20 petals, AARS '89. Arberry (1 pl 1 yr 1-1.5' BC): Red with cream edge, semi double bloom, good substance, blooms continuously. For an AARS in 1989 I am not too impressed but will see how it does next year. Somewhat leggy growth habit, clean crisp foliage, no disease. Bryant (1 pl 2 yrs 15" ON): Excellent form, good substance, beautiful new mini, always in bloom right till frost, excellent repeat. No disease, hardiness good. Stanton (1 pl 1 yr ON): Very deep pink blend in my garden, red edges sometimes, double bloom, exhibition form, good substance, repeats well. Vigourous grower, dark green shiny foliage, no disease.

DEE BENNETT, Min (Saville '88 int '89). (ob), brilliant apricot, AoE '89. Arberry (1 pl 1 yr 2' BC): Apricot, touches of red. A miniature HT exhibition type bloom, outstandingly beautiful form, excellent substance. This

is a real show stopper, everyone wants to know her name and where to get her. Vigourous grower, no disease. Decker (1 pl 1 yr 18" AK): Bright colour, apricot blend, orange on edges. HT type exhibition form, excellent substance, some small sprays. Spreading growth habit, medium green foliage, some mildew. Magee (1 pl 3 yrs 18" ON): A bright vigourous free blooming Miniature, small bloom, HT type form, in clusters. Bushy upright grower, seems hardy.

DILLY DILLY, Min (mini-flora) (Bennett '85). M (m), lavender, 35 petals. No reports.

ELLAMAE, Min (Saville '86). AB (ab), apricot, 35 petals. No reports.

ENJOY, Min (Laver '89 int '90). PB (pb), white/edged pink, 30 petals. Freeman (1 pl 2 yrs 12" ON): White with deep pink edge, very double perfect HT form blooms, good substance, good repeat. Beautiful, but defoliated by blackspot this year. So were a lot of others, will judge next year. Magee (1 pl 2 yrs 7" ON): Attractive Miniature, smallish HT form bud and bloom. Porter (1 pl 1 yr 14" SK): Attractive colour combination. Double, exhibition form bloom in small clusters, excellent substance. Was not particularly floriferous in its first year. Compact bushy grower, medium green dull foliage, no disease. Smallenberg (1 pl 1 yr 14" BC): White with picotee edge of pink. Elegant little buds open slowly, 1 1/4" blooms, excellent form and substance, singles and sprays. Lovely little variety, first season blooms seem to have a higher quality than those in late summer - possibly prefers the Spring temperatures? Compact grower, no disease. Stanton (1 pl 1 yr 18" ON): Lovely glowing pink like a tiny 'Esmerelda'. Long bud, exhibition form bloom, nicely proportioned for a mini, excellent substance, always in bloom, mostly clusters. One of the prettiest, most 'enjoyable' and satisfactory minis I've ever grown, like it better than 'Debut'. Tall for a mini, no disease.

FANCY PANTS, Min (King '86 int '87). RB (rb). No reports.

FIDDLER'S GOLD, Min. (Williams '85). DY (dy), 40 petals. No reports.

GENTLE TOUCH, Min (patio). (Dickson '86). LP (lp), pale pink, ROTY '86. Tsuji (1 pl 1 yr 1' BC): Nicely shaped bud, opens flat, bloom looks nice at all stages, lots of bloom in clusters. Perfect for container growing, one of my favourite small bushes. Slightly sprawling grower, matte finish foliage, average disease resistance.

GOLD MINE, Min (Laver '84). DY (dy), 20 petals. Bryant (3 pls 5 yrs 12" ON): Long buds, excellent exhibition form blooms, good substance. A good yellow mini but like all yellow roses it needs good winter protection. Bushy

growth habit, dark green foliage, mildews, hardiness poor.

GOLD STRIKE, Min (Heirloom Roses '90 NR). (rb), red/yellow stripes. Duskin (1 pl 1 yr 8" OR): Outstanding colour, very small bloom, full and flat, not exhibition, excellent substance, fairly constant bloom. Short bushy grower with good vigour, tiny thick foliage, no disease.

GOLDEN HALO, Min (Saville '91). (my), 24-26 petals, brilliant canary yellow, AoE '91. Duskin (1 pl 1 yr 2' OR): Very bright and crisp medium yellow, excellent garden rose, one of the brightest yellows available. Nice buds, opens fast, not exhibition, very fast repeat bloom. Vigourous upright growth habit, deep green embossed foliage, no disease. Magee (1 pl 1 yr 19" ON): A showy decorative variety, not too many petals, time will tell. Upright grower.

GOOD MORNING AMERICA, Min (Saville '91). (my), bright sunshine yellow, 55-60 petals, AoE '91. Duskin (4 pls 1 yr 2' OR): Very full bloom, often exhibition, fair thin substance, colour fades badly in our climate, often gross! Biggest disappointment of all my new Miniatures this year. Blooms often ball, will try starving it next year to get size down and brighter colour. Based on what I saw this year, out it goes! And I bought four. Very upright vigourous grower, medium dark green foliage, blackspot. Magee (1 pl 1 yr 20" ON): One of the best new varieties, some pink edging to the bright yellow blooms this Fall, nice HT bud, good substance, enough petals for a long lasting bloom. Upright grower. Mychaluk (1 pl 1 yr tall AB): Good clear buttercup yellow, nice perky rose, just like blonde Joan on 'Good Morning America'. Slow starting but steady afterwards. Good exhibition form, excellent substance. Tall grower, foliage a little on thin side, no disease. Porter (1 pl 1 yr 22" SK): Yellow tipped rosy red all season, exhibition form double bloom in small clusters, excellent substance. Very vigourous, outbloomed 'Tut's Treasure' and 'Living Bouquet' easily.

GOURMET POPCORN, Min (Desamero '86). W (w), sport of Popcorn. No reports.

HEAVENLY DAYS, Min (Saville '88). OB (ob), apricot/yellow blend, 28-32 petals, AoE '88. No reports.

IMPULSE, Min (Jolly '86 NR). PB (pb), pink/coral blend. No reports.

JEAN KENNEALLY, Min (Bennett '84). AB (ab), pale to medium apricot, 22 petals, AoE '86. Bryant (1 pl 2 yrs 2' ON): Fairly large bloom that fades to off-white. Excellent form and substance, always a winner and one of the best minis. Tall grower, good foliage, disease free, hardiness good. Kopecky (4 pls 1 to 4 yrs 2' NE): Always excellent exhibition form, excellent substance.

Everyone should have this mini, produces loads of exhibition blooms continually. Can be used in every way imaginable - single bloom, multiple bloom, floater, arrangement, name it and this one can do it all, my best Miniature. Tall bushy grower, no disease, hardiness excellent. Lacroix (2 pls 4 yrs 24" QC): Perfect outstanding form and substance, profuse flower production, good stems. What more can one ask from a rose? Best Miniature for exhibition in my opinion. Wish somebody could come up with a Hybrid Tea version. Tall upright grower, outstanding foliage, no disease, needs protection in winter. Porter (1 pl 4 yrs 32" SK): Double bloom, exhibition form, excellent substance, in generous sprays. One of my best performers but needs preventive spray for mildew. Definitely a background rose because of its height. Hardiness OK with protection. Stanton (1 pl 3 yrs 30" ON): Lovely colour, pale pink in my garden. Double bloom, high centred exhibition form, excellent substance, very floriferous, repeats very quickly. Vigourous tall grower, no disease, hardiness good. (Last year for reporting this rose).

JENNIFER, Min (Benardella '85). PB (pb), light pink/white reverse, 35 petals, AoE '85. No reports.

JIM DANDY, Min (Benardella '88 int '89). (rb), AoE '89. No reports.

JOE-JOE, Min (Gene King '85). YB (ob), orange yellow/yellow reverse, 25 petals. No reports.

JOYCIE, Min (Moore '88). (ob) orange/apricot blend. No reports.

JULIE ANN, Min (Saville '84). OR (o-r), 20 petals, AoE '84. Lacroix (1 pl 3 yrs 12" QC): Perfect Hybrid Tea form with reflexing petals, excellent substance, mostly one to a stem. Does best in Spring and Fall as it opens too fast in summer. Excellent variety. Spreading grower, very good foliage, no disease, hardiness excellent. Semeniuk (1 pl 3 yrs 14" BC): Sweetheart of a plant, exhibition form, great substance, singles and clusters, medium size. Very attractive colour, ideal for arrangements with a bi-colour. Bushy grower with short stems, slow starter in Spring, needs trimming back. Medium green foliage, some blackspot, hardiness very good. (Last year for reporting this rose).

JUNE LAVER, Min (Laver '87 int '88). DY (dy) (deep gold), CRS 75th Anniversary Rose. Arberry (1 pl 1 yr 1-1.5' BC): Pointed exhibition bloom, good substance, repeat bloom. There is no wonder why CRS picked this rose as their 75th Anniversary Rose. No other mini I know has such a beautiful yellow. Bushy short grower, nice neat tidy foliage, no disease. Biddulph (1 pl 3 yrs 5" MB): Nice shaped bud, exhibition form HT type bloom, excellent substance, wins a prize each time, 'Best Yellow' this year. Didn't like being

moved twice in 2 months, bush size did not increase and not as much bloom, although first flush was on time. Hope it is happier next year. Compact grower, dark green foliage, no disease, hardiness good with protection. Blyth (2 pls 4 yrs 12" ON): HT type high centred exhibition form bloom, good substance. This is a bright yellow repeat bloomer that is a miniature HT. Compact grower, healthy foliage, no disease, needs cover in winter. Dickey (1 pl 3 yrs 6" ON): A solid medium yellow. Pretty bud, large exhibition type bloom, HT shape blooms seem very large for the plant, does better in last part of season than earlier. Beautiful colour, blooms singly rather than in sprays. Small compact grower, good foliage, resistant to blackspot. Survives with winter protection. Lacroix (4 pls 3 yrs 12" QC): Perfect Hybrid Tea form, opens fast, very good substance, exhibition all the way. A bit large for a mini, short stems, does not repeat very well, some fragrance, my favourite 'yellow' Miniature. Low bushy grower, excellent foliage, no disease, needs winter protection. McGee (1 pl 3 yrs 7" ON): Mine is a deep butter yellow, non fading. Perfect cylindrical exhibition form, super substance, opens slowly, singles and small sprays, not continuous bloomer, appears in flushes, a little sparse. This rose may not be there when you need it, but if it is, it will walk away with the prize. Small compact grower, super substance, dull thick foliage, will blackspot, hardiness normal. Porter (1 pl 4 yrs 8" SK): Yellow fading to cream, double, exhibition form bloom, excellent substance, in small clusters, intermittently. This rose has never bloomed heavily and seems to lack vigour, location may be factor. No disease, hardiness OK with protection. Stanton (2 pls 4 yrs 9" ON): Wonderful deep glowing yellow colour. High centred exhibition form, nice swirl to petals, excellent substance, some clusters. One of the best formed minis with lots of good blooms. Some blackspot, hardiness good.

KING TUT, Min (Laver '89). DY (dy), intense yellow. Archibald (1 pl 1 yr 11" SK): Large double bloom, exhibition form, good to excellent substance, nearly continuous bloomer. A very good yellow but doubt if it will be as good as 'June Laver'. Bushy vigourous grower, abundant foliage, quite free of mildew. Porter (1 pl 1 yr 10" SK): Exhibition form, excellent substance. This one bloomed sparingly and I did not pay much attention to it, hoping it blooms heavier next year. Low, not too vigourous grower, medium to dark green foliage, no disease.

KITTY HAWK, Min (mini-flora) Bridges '86). (pb), deep pink/lighter pink reverse, 29 petals. No reports.

LAVENDER JADE, Min (Benardella '87). MB (m), lavender/lighter reverse. Porter (1 pl 4 yrs 23" SK): Individual blooms are nice, exhibition form, fair substance, in clusters, but overall it is a poor performer in my yard, too few flowers.
Long stems are an asset for cutting. Upright vigourous grower, dark green

foliage, some mildew, hardiness OK with protection.

LIVING BOUQUET, Min (Laver '90). (ly), light canary yellow, 40-50 petals. Magee (1 pl 1 yr 14" ON): Fine new bright light yellow, fine HT buds, bloomed well until heat and drought took over. Lovely variety. Bushy grower, fine dense foliage. Porter (1 pl 1 yr 15" SK): Pleasing colour, double exhibition form bloom in small clusters, excellent substance. Bloom was not as prolific as I would wish. Small medium green foliage, no disease.

LUIS DESAMERO, Min (Bennett '89). (ly), soft pastel yellow. No reports.

MAKE BELIEVE, Min (Moore '86 int '85). MB (m), mauve and white blend/red-purple reverse, 10 petals. No reports.

MAURINE NEUBERGER, Min (Spooner '89). (mr), crimson. Archibald (1 pl 1 yr 15" SK): Excellent bud, medium large, double bloom, exhibition form, excellent substance. This is an exceptionally good Miniature of this colour, which I like. Large bush, clean good textured foliage, no disease. Lacroix (1 pl 2 yrs 24" QC): Outstanding form and substance, perfect HT shape bloom that lasts well, doesn't fade much, long strong stems. Almost a perfect score in my book but there are downsides like poor bloom production and poor repeat. Magee (1 pl 1 yr 14" ON): Bright rich red, lovely HT form buds and blooms, looks like a very good variety. Quite a bit of bloom. Upright bushy grower, some blackspot. Mychaluk (1 pl 1 yr tall AB): Beautiful blood red exhibition blooms, excellent substance, prolific production. One of the best new minis. Vigourous grower, excellent foliage, no disease, hardiness - we'll see.

MOUNTIE, Min (Laver '84 int '85). MR (mr), brilliant scarlet, 35 petals, Canada's Heritage '85 Rose. Decker (1 pl 1 yr 12" AK): Bright red, some darkening of edges. Decorative form bloom, good substance, nice bright floriferous garden type mini on a short plant. Spreading growth habit, basically healthy but some mildew. Kopecky (2 pls 3 yrs 2' NE): High centred exhibition form, very good substance, getting better, still draws attention with its vibrant colour. Blooms a bit large for a Miniature but it is a welcome addition to my garden. Tall bushy grower, no disease so far, hardiness OK. Lacroix (2 pls 4 yrs 12" MB): Mostly garden variety with occasional exhibition form, excellent substance, short stems, very little fading, outstanding garden variety. Can't beat this rose for flower production, does well in flower bed and in container. Spreading grower, very good foliage, no disease, hardiness excellent. Porter (1 pl 7 yrs 15" SK): Brilliant red, pleasing colour. Decorative to exhibition form, excellent substance, in short stemmed clusters, reliable performer. Wish stems were a bit larger for cutting. Compact low grower, dark green foliage, no disease, hardiness OK with protection.

MY SUNSHINE, Min (Bennett '86). MY (my), medium yellow aging soft orange/bright yellow stamens, single. No reports.

NEW BEGINNING, Min (Saville '88). OB (ob), orange-red/yellow blend, 40-50 petals, AARS '89. Arberry (1 pl 1 yr 2' BC): Great form, excellent substance, prolific bloomer. AARS sure hit the bull's eye when they made this one a selection in 1989. Just plant it and sit back and admire. Wide grower, no disease. Magee (1 pl 3 yrs 16" ON): HT form bloom, not exhibition but well formed, free blooming, excellent garden variety. Bushy vigourous growth habit, foliage in proportion, seems hardy.

NICKELODEON, Min (patio) (McGredy '89 int '91). (rb), hand painted bright red/pure white eye, 7-9 petals. Duskin (2 pls 2 yrs 2' OR): Very bright hand painted single, another conversation piece from McGredy, a hit with visitors. Like a larger 'Little Artist', open form, excellent substance, singly and clusters. No disease, very hardy.

NIGHTHAWK (DOHHAWK), Min (Hardgrove '89). (mr), AoE '89. No reports.

OLD GLORY, Min (mini-flora) (Benardella '88). MR (mr), medium red/yellow base, AoE '88. Freeman (1 pl 2 yrs 10" ON): Brilliant red with yellow at base of petals, eye catching mini. Big blooms for size of bush but I like that. HT form, good substance, good repeat - nice! Hardiness good. Lacroix (1 pl 2 yrs 24" QC): Very high centred exhibition form, a bit large, opens fast, could use more petals, borne in clusters, excellent substance. Poor production and slow repeat. There are better red minis on market. No disease, hardiness excellent. Porter (1 pl 4 yrs 19" SK): Exhibition form, excellent substance, rather large and ruffled when fully open, usually singly. An average performer, not outstanding but satisfactory. Long stems good for cutting. No disease, hardy with protection.

ONTARIO CELEBRATION, Min (Laver '84). OR (o-r), 35 petals. No reports. (Last year for reporting this rose).

ORANGE JEWEL, Min (Kordes '87 NR). (or). Brisbane (1 pl 1 yr 2' BC): Brilliant orange blooms, excellent form and substance, floriferous and constant repeat, never stopped blooming from May to November. I deadhead every few days because blooms bleach after 3 days in their very sunny spot. So many new blooms the deadheading just makes room for more. Well worth the extra effort, visitors always ask what it is. Compact grower, good foliage, no disease.

ORANGE LOVE, Min (Williams '86). OB (ob), glowing orange, deeper reverse, 45 petals. No reports.

PARTYGLO, Min (Williams '84). YB (yb), yellow/pink petal edges/yellow reverse, 35 petals. No reports. (Last year for reporting this rose).

PINK BOUNTY, Min (Williams '84). MP (mp), medium pink/white base, 35 petals. No reports. (Last year for reporting this rose).

PINSTRIPE, Min (striped), (Moore '85 int '86). RB (rb), 18-20 petals. Porter (1 pl 1 yr 2' tree form SK): Striped, white and red, near exhibition form, excellent substance, in clusters. This one was discovered as a bagged tree rose, fully leafed out in a department store. Grew it on the patio where it bloomed well in July, then an attack of spider mites sent it into semi-dormancy and it produced no more flowers. I really like this one and hope I can winter it successfully. Bushy grower, dark green foliage, no disease.

PLATINUM LADY, Min (Laver '88 int '89). M (m), pale lavender. McGee (1 pl 3 yrs 6" ON): Mine is a silvery lavender, reminiscent of 'Sterling Silver'. Too big for a micro, too small to compete as a Miniature. Very pointed buds and exhibition blooms. I thought this rose would die sometime in the first or second year but this year it was a tiny little gift in my garden. Really small grower, disease resistant.

POTLUCK RED, Min (Laver '88 intr. '89). DR (dr). No reports.

POTLUCK YELLOW (SPICY IN EUROPE) (YELLOW MINI-WONDER IN U.S.), Min, (Laver '85, intr '86). MY (my), 20 petals. No reports.

PRAIRIE SCHOONER, Min (King '86). (rb), red/reverse yellow edged red, 22 petals. No reports.

PRIDE 'N' JOY, Min (Warriner '91). (ob), coppery orange/ yellow reverse, 20-25 petals, AARS '92. Archibald (1 pl 1 yr 10" SK): Beautiful large double bloom, decorative form, good substance, another very good introduction. Bushy grower, clean foliage. Cochran (2 pls 2 yrs 3.5' CA): Sunny orange blooms never fade, medium size, 1.5", can be exhibition, excellent substance, borne mostly in small and medium size sprays. Constantly in bloom, freely drop spent blossoms, a big plus for very floriferous roses. A real little work horse. Compact bushy plants, small matte green foliage, no disease so far. Duskin (2 pls 1 yr 1.5' OR): Full bloom, cupped decorative form, good substance, constantly in bloom but shape is disappointing. Does provide good colour. So far they haven't picked a really good Miniature for the AARS award. Have no idea how this got chosen, as it grows here it's a ho-hum rose. Short bushy grower, mildews badly.

PUCKER UP, Min (Bennett '84). OR (o-r), 23 petals. No reports. (Last

year for reporting this rose).

RADIANT, Min (mini-flora) (Benardella '87 int '88). OR (or). Lacroix (2 pls 3 yrs 2.5' QC): Excellent HT form blooms that last very well, long cutting stems, outstanding substance. Classified as Miniature Climber, I'd rather grow it as a large bush. Profuse flower production, sweet raspberry-like fragrance, an excellent variety. Upright grower, very good foliage, no disease, hardiness excellent.

RAINBOW'S END, Min (Saville '84). YB (yb), deep yellow/edged red, 35 petals, AoE '86. Biddulph (1 pl 2 yrs 8" MB): HT form with 'highish' centre when first out, excellent substance, mostly large sprays, won a 2nd ribbon. Reminds me of 'Baby Masquerade' but a smaller tidier plant, just as spunky. Bloomed in a pot beginning of June, a short breather mid summer, then again until snowfall, Oct. 26th, when it was still a mass of bloom. Didn't mind being planted out mid July. Compact grower, glossy dark green foliage, no disease, hardy with protection. Blyth (1 pl 3 yrs 12" ON): Colourful blooms changing to yellow and reds, good form and substance, a very attractive little rose. Compact grower, no disease, very hardy. Brisbane (1 pl 2 yrs 10" BC): I'm delighted with this small very colourful Miniature, constantly in bloom, in singles and clusters, holds form better than many other minis. Neat compact grower, foliage in proportion, no disease with faithful spray programme. Semeniuk (1 pl 3 yrs 12" BC): Small bloom but prolific, pleasant colour combination, good substance, in clusters. Like this one, can send up an occasional coarse stem. Nice in arrangements, short stems, no serious drawbacks. Can sprawl, no disease.

RAINDROPS, Min (Saville '89 int '90). (m), lavender/cream reverse. Decker (1 pl 1 yr 12" AK): Bloom is on the pink side with cream reverse, paler than expected. HT type exhibition form, good substance, small to medium size, singles, no sprays. Spreading grower, medium green foliage, mildews. Mychaluk (1 pl 1 yr med. AB): Tight bud, good bloom opens fast, good substance, mostly sprays, poor repeat. Nice little mini but not sure of show potential. Vigourous and spreading growth habit, not too heavily clothed with foliage, no disease noted.

RED LOVE, Min (Williams '84). MR (mr) 35 petals. No reports. (Last year for reporting this rose).

REGINE, Min (J. Hefner '89). (pb), soft pink blend, AoE '90. No reports.

RING OF FIRE, Min (Moore '86 int '87). YB (yb), deep yellow/edged vivid orange/red. AoE '87. No reports.

ROLLER COASTER (MINNIE MOUSE), Min (striped) (McGredy '87).

RB (rb), striped. Brown (2 pls 1 yr 1.5' BC): Striped, semi-double bloom, decorative form, good substance. Grew one in a pot and one in garden, decorative form but not my kind of rose. Short bushy growth habit, good foliage, no disease, hardiness good.

ROSE GILARDI, Min (mini-moss) (Moore '87). RB (rb), red with white stripes, 9 petals. No reports.

ROYAL VICTORIA, Min (Laver '91). PB (pb), coral pink/white reverse, 41+ petals. Lacroix (3 pls 1 yr 16" QC): Beautiful bud, mostly decorative form, occasionally exhibition, very good substance. Will better evaluate next year. So far only a safe Miniature to me. Spreading growth habit, very good foliage, no disease. Ouellette (3 pls 1 yr 18 QC): Double, fully open petals overlap like a camellia, high centred HT form, excellent substance, unforgettable colour, borne in sprays, fragrant. Always in bloom, ideal in containers and in garden. Petals hold open form on bush till almost dry, turn a deep coral colour, not unsightly. Won first in colour class at Quebec Rose Show and best mini in Lakeshore Rose Show, a real winner! Strong bushy upright grower, small medium green semi glossy foliage, some blackspot from nursery.

ROYALGLO, Min (Williams '86). M (m), 40 petals. No reports.

SACHET, Min (mini-flora) (Saville '86). lavender/yellow stamens, 30 petals. No reports.

SANS SOUCI, Min (Laver '86). DP (dp), deep fuchsia pink. No reports.

SCARLET MOSS, Min (Moore '88). (mr), 10 petals. Porter (1 pl 3 yrs 14" SK): Intense scarlet to crimson red, semi double bloom, cupped form, excellent substance, in small clusters, reasonably continuous. A slow starter this year. Even though it doesn't bloom heavily I like it for its unique qualities. Compact short grower, large glossy foliage, slight mildew, fairly hardy, needs protection.

SHELLEY RENEE, Min (Saville '88 int '89). (pb), shrimp pink. Magee (1 pl 2 yrs 10" ON): Light salmon pink, attractive HT bud and bloom, a lovely small dense bush. Like others in micro mini class, can defoliate in hot weather. Short compact grower, small foliage.

SHOWBOUND, Min (Laver '89). (ob), orange pink to coral pink. Porter (1 pl 1 yr 13" SK): Double bloom, exhibition form, excellent substance, in small clusters, not profuse but fairly continuous. An attractive variety with long lasting flowers. I wish it had bloomed more heavily. Glossy dark green foliage, no disease.

SILVER PHANTOM (MELISSA JOYCE), Min (Rennie '88 int '89). (m). Arberry (1 pl 1 yr 1.5' BC): Silver lilac. Exhibition form, double bloom, excellent substance. Looks like Rennie has a real winner, hope to get a few more next year. Good growth habit, glossy green foliage, no disease.

SMALL SLAM, Min (Laver '87). DR (dr), 50 petals. No reports.

SNOWBOUND, Min (Laver '89 int '90). W (w). No reports.

SPRINGWOOD GOLD, Min (Laver '89). (my), buttery yellow, 25-28 petals. Smallenberg (1 pl 1 yr 8" BC): Beautiful long buds open very slowly to perfect HT form exhibition blooms, all singles, excellent substance. Lovely little rose, very slow to repeat, looking forward to 2nd year. Every bloom is perfect and a lovely colour, definitely one to keep. Very compact grower, dainty pointed glossy foliage, no disease.

SPRINGWOOD PURPLE, Min (sweetheart) (Laver '90 int '91). (dp), rosy-purple. Archibald (2 pls 2 yrs 13" SK): Reddish purple, mid to large double bloom, exhibition form, excellent substance. I love this rose, a real bloom factory. Vigourous grower, small foliage, some blackspot, hardiness good. Magee (1 pl 1 yr 10" ON): Deep rose pink, well formed HT buds and blooms, very attractive and quite free blooming in a hot dry season. Compact growth habit, larger foliage than some.

STRAWBERRY DELIGHT, Min (Rennie '89 int '90). (pb), white/edged white and pink, 33-38 petals. Smallenberg (1 pl 1 yr 24" BC): Beautiful bloom, every one classic HT form, almost 2" in size, excellent substance, mostly in sprays. A lovely variety which needs lots of space, quick to repeat, more like patio rose in size, profuse bloomer. Definitely a keeper. Spreading growth habit, dark green pointed foliage, no disease.

SUMMER BEAUTY, Min (Williams '86). DY (dy), 45 petals. No reports.

SUN PRINCESS, Min (Laver '84). PB (pb), light salmon pink, 35 petals. Lacroix (1 pl 3 yrs 10" QC): Pink blend with apricot, strictly decorative form, outstanding substance, in large sprays. Just a mass of flowers when in bloom, excellent inflorescence, poor repeat. Low spreading grower, good foliage, no disease, hardiness excellent. (Last year for reporting this rose).

SURFER GIRL, Min (Rennie '88). (o-r), coral pink. No reports.

SUZY, Min (Bridges '90). (mp), medium pink/near white at base blending to light pink, 38-40 petals, AoE '91. Duskin (2 pls 2 yrs 1.5' OR): Medium pink, clean crisp colour. High pointed bud, exhibition form, opens fast in heat, excellent substance, constant bloomer. First year plant threw a bloom

that won Grand Champion at the County Fair. Vigourous upright grower, medium green foliage, slight blackspot, hardiness very good to 9 degrees.

SWANSONG, Min (McCann '88). W (w). Porter (1 pl 2 yrs 20" SK): Exhibition form bloom, excellent substance, borne singly or in small clusters, sporadic, not profuse. After wintering indoors, placed it in the garden. Rather stingy with its large wonderfully fragrant flowers, in second year vigour improved tremendously. Vigourous open grower, dark green foliage, no disease.

SWEET BUTTERFLY, Min (Laver '89). M (m), lavender pink. No reports.

SWEET CHARIOT (INSOLITE), Min (Moore '84). MB (m), lavender, ground cover. No reports. (Last year for reporting this rose).

TARA ALLISON, Min (McGredy '87). OR (mr), geranium red. No reports.

TEDDY BEAR, Min (Saville '89). R (r), terra-cotta. Magee (1 pl 2 yrs 8" ON): Unusual deep bronze colour, HT bud, open bloom good form, OK substance. Small so far, attractive. Foliage in proportion. Mychaluk (1 pl 1 yr tall AB): Show potential but cut tight, excellent substance, blooms hang on and on, profuse bloomer, one to a stem. Some find the colour a 'muddy red' but it grows on you if you let it. Tall vigourous grower, OK foliage, no disease, Hardiness OK.

TIPPER, Min (Jolly '87 int '88). MP (mp), soft pink, AoE '89. Lacroix (2 pls 2 yrs 24" QC): Beautiful when half open then fades to unsightly colour, good form and substance. Flower too large for a mini. Upright grower, large foliage, no disease, hardiness excellent.

TWILIGHT TRAIL, Min (Williams '85). MB (m), lavender-tan, 35 petals. No reports.

TWO-TIMER, Min (Moore '90, int '91). (ob), red, white and yellow stripes. Duskin (2 pls 1 yr 15" OR): Very full bloom, in cycles, decorative form, thin substance. I collect striped roses and this has been a dud from the word 'go'. Doesn't like the coast, will be adopted out or euthanized. Upright grower, thin medium green foliage, blackspots badly, hardiness good.

WHISTLE STOP, Min (McGredy '88 int '89). (rb), white with magenta stripes. No reports.

WILFRID H. PERRON, Min (Laver '89 int '88). MP (mp), shrimp pink.

Blyth (1 pl 3 yrs 12" ON): An excellent little coral pink rose with a very striking HT form, good substance. Compact grower, no disease, hardiness good.

WINSOME, Min (sweetheart). (Saville '84). M (m), red-purple, 40+ petals, AoE '85. Decker (1 pl 1 yr 18" AK): Probably my best mauve. Large for a mini, HT exhibition bloom, excellent substance, mostly singles. Vigourous grower, healthy foliage. Kopecky (1 pl 1 yr 12" NE): Almost always exhibition, excellent substance. Since always being considered for Miniature 'Queen', I had to have it. Gives ample award winning blooms all season, an excellent mini. Upright grower, no disease. Lacroix (4 pls 4 yrs 24" QC): High centred exhibition bloom, long straight stems, large flowered. Profuse bloom with fast repeat, in singles and clusters, some fading. Upright bushy growth habit, excellent foliage, no disease. Mychaluk (1 pl 1 yr med AB): Possibly exhibition form, excellent substance, prolific all season. Good clean colour, strong grower, won best micromini spray at Calgary Rose Show, holds colour to bitter end. Singles and sprays. Vigourous grower, good foliage, no disease, hardiness good. Porter (1 pl 2 yrs 24" AK): Pink-mauve for me. Double bloom, exhibition form, excellent substance, singly and in sprays. Very reliable, good vigour, abundant continuous bloom. Bushy growth habit, dark green foliage, no disease, hardiness OK with protection. (Last year for reporting this rose).